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CLASS II MODELING REPORT

8A.1 Introduction

8A.1.1 Background

The applicant, Toquop Energy LLC, plans to build and operate one new nominal 750-megawatt (MW) super critical pulverized coal- (PC-) fired boiler and steam electric generation unit located in Lincoln County, Nevada. The proposed project, referred to as the Toquop Energy Project (TEP), is being sited in a green-field location approximately 14 miles northwest of Mesquite, Nevada.

The TEP will include the full range of support operations, including delivery of lime for use in scrubber; truck delivery of diesel fuel; and truck delivery of other materials, such as anhydrous ammonia for the selective catalytic reduction control system, coal and ash handling, and transport of combustion byproducts and wastes. Best available control technology will be installed on all applicable sources, including the main stack.

This appendix describes the procedures and the modeling results that were used to evaluate the potential air quality impacts due to the proposed project's operations for areas within 50 kilometers (km) of the proposed facility. The TEP will be located within 300 km of several Class I areas in Arizona and Utah. No Class I areas are located within 50 km of the proposed facility. A separate report addresses the modeling of impacts at all Class I areas within 300 km of the project site.

8A.1.2 Regulatory Review

The facility is applying for an air permit to construct from the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP), Bureau of Air Pollution Control (BAPC) in accordance with Nevada Administrative Code 445B, Paragraph 221(1) and 3375. Paragraph 221(1) adopts the federal Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) program as promulgated under Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 52.21 (40 CFR 52.21). Permit approval requires that an air quality impact analysis be performed to assess the potential impacts of the facility operation under 40 CFR 52.21(k).

The proposed facility will be located in an area (Lincoln County) that is classified as a federal attainment area for all pollutants. Each of the involved agencies requires that the application use dispersion modeling to demonstrate compliance with applicable Ambient Air Quality Standard (AAQS) and PSD increments. This modeling appendix describes the procedures that were used for the air dispersion modeling for project permitting and certification.

A brief project description, including an overview of the site and local topography and a discussion of the emission sources, is presented in Section 8A.2. Section 8A.3 addresses the dispersion modeling methods used to assess local air quality impacts, the meteorological dataset and data processing procedures, terrain processing, and Good Engineering Practice (GEP) and building downwash calculations. Section 8A.4 tabulates the source emission parameters used in the modeling. The results of the modeling analysis are presented in Section 8A.5. Section 8A.6 contains a list of references.

8A.2 Project Description

8A.2.1 Site Description

The facility will be on a site consisting of approximately 650 acres of land located about 14 miles northwest of Mesquite, Lincoln County, Nevada (see topographic map of the area in **Figure 8A-1**). The site is open land with only high desert brush currently in place. The estimated site finished grade elevation is 2,550 feet above mean sea level (msl). The site is located within Township 11 South, Range 69 East.

The proposed site lies in a valley east of the Mormon Mountain Range at about 2,500 feet above msl, with land sloping downward gently to the southeast towards the Toquop Wash. Northwest of the proposed site, the terrain rises gradually for several miles before reaching elevations just above 5,000 feet msl in the East Mormon Mountains. To the southeast, the terrain gradually slopes downward to 1,500 feet above msl at the Virgin River before climbing rapidly to just above 8,000 feet msl in the Virgin Mountain Range. **Figures 8A-2** and **8A-3** are photographs of the plant site taken at the proposed project site location.

8A.2.2 Facility Description and Equipment List

The TEP will install and operate a PC-fired power plant with a nominal capacity of 750 MW. The coal-fired facility will consist of the primary equipment listed below:

- One 750-MW PC-fired boiler;
- Two auxiliary boilers;
- One firewater pump;
- One standby generator;
- One fly ash storage silo;
- One bottom ash storage silo;

Figure 8A-1. Topographic Map of the Area in the Vicinity of the Proposed Project

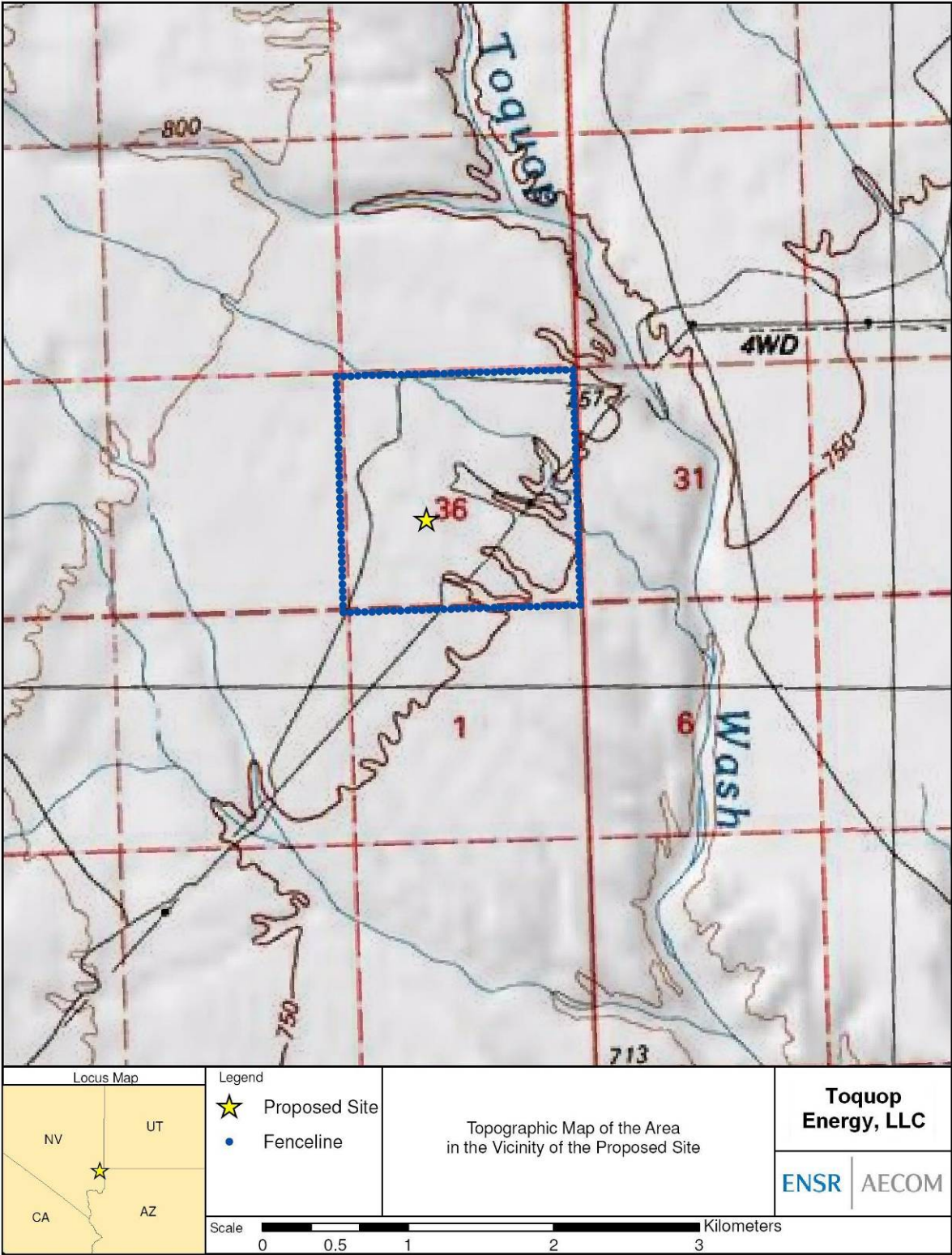


Figure 8A-2. View from the Proposed Project Site Looking South



Figure 8A-3. View from the Proposed Project Site looking North



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- One gypsum silo;
 - Two quicklime storage silos;
 - One activated carbon storage silo;
 - Two trippers;
 - One Heller-type hybrid cooling tower;
 - A coal unloading, reclaim and crushing operation;
 - One active coal storage pile;
 - One inactive coal storage pile; and
 - A 150-acre on-site landfill.

Fuel for the TEP will be Wyoming Powder River Basin (PRB) coal, which will be transported to the facility via a proposed railroad with a spur from the Union Pacific to the TEP unloading station at the proposed plant site.

Overall annual availability of the power plant is expected to be in the range of 85 to 90 percent, but short-range modeling was conducted assuming a 100 percent load factor. The design contemplates a base-loaded plant.

8A.2.3 Process Description

The following sections describe the primary processes that are a part of the facility.

8A.2.4 Pulverized Coal Combustion

PC combustion is the most commonly used method of combustion in coal-fired power plants. It is a well-proven technology for power generation in utility-scale applications. In a PC boiler, coal is “pulverized” or ground to a fine powder so that approximately 75 percent of the coal is less than 75 microns and less than 2 percent is greater than 300 microns. The pulverized coal is blown into the combustion chamber with air, and combustion takes place in suspension at temperatures from 2,400 degrees Fahrenheit (°F) to 3,100°F. New supercritical plants can achieve overall thermal efficiencies of around 40 to 45 percent.

The TEP is being designed to operate with a range of coal properties that are typical of PRB coals. The latest PC projects being permitted, including this project, employ state-of-the-art add-on emission controls for nitrogen oxides (NO_x), sulfur dioxide (SO₂), and particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter of 10 microns or less (PM₁₀).

8A.2.4.1 Coal Unloading, Transfer and Handling System

Coal will be delivered to the facility via train and will be unloaded from the bottom dump rail cars into an underground bunker. A bottom dump unloading, consisting of two 2,500 tons/hour stations, will be used to unload the coal to an underground hopper at a combined 5,000-tons/hour rate. From the underground bunker, the coal will be handled using hoppers and belt feeders and will be stacked out to a lowering well using two conveyor belts rated at 2,500 tons/hour each. From the lowering well, a telescoping chute will discharge the coal to one of the coal storage piles. The active coal pile will be a 30-day supply of coal live storage, which can be stacked and reclaimed without the use of mobile equipment (bulldozers). Particulate emissions from the coal pile will be controlled by wet suppression. A second inactive storage pile will be built using both the automatic stack-out system and mobile equipment. The inactive storage will contain a 90-day supply of coal with the ability to expand to a 180-day supply of coal adjacent to the active storage pile. Emissions from the inactive pile will be controlled by the equivalent of wet suppression and compaction. The reclaim system (which is not used under normal operations) would be a rail-mounted scraper type, which would transfer coal at a rate of 2,000 tons/hour to two redundant coal reclaim systems, with enclosed conveyors to transfer the coal to the live storage pile or directly to the dual coal crushers.

From the active coal storage pile, front-end loaders will assist the reclaiming of coal into four 500-ton hoppers and feeder belts. Two conveyor belts rated at 1,000 tons/hour each (one in operation, one backup) will be used to convey the reclaim coal to the coal crusher building. In the coal crusher building, coal from the 1,000-tons/hour reclaim belts will empty into a 150-ton surge bin. In the coal crusher building, one coal crusher assembly rated at 1,500 tons/hour will crush the coal into a size suitable for combustion. From the coal crusher building, one conveyor belt rated at 1,000 tons/hour (with a second 1,000-tons/hour conveyor belt serving as backup) will transfer the coal to the boiler tripper deck. In the coal transfer tower, coal will be transferred to a 1,000-tons/hour tripper conveyor, which will load the five, 360-ton coal bunkers. A sixth coal bunker is provided as a spare. Particulate emissions from the coal unloading, transfer and handling system operations will be controlled by wet suppression and/or baghouses.

8A.2.4.2 Storage Silos

In addition to the PC boiler, the primary TEP operation includes the following storage silos:

- One fly ash storage silo;
- One bottom ash storage silo;
- Two quicklime storage silos;
- One gypsum storage silo;

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- One activated carbon storage silo; and
 - One byproduct storage silo.

Fly ash from the PC boiler exhaust stream will be captured in the main boiler baghouse. The fly ash will be pneumatically conveyed from the baghouse hoppers to the fly ash storage silo. From the fly ash storage silo, the ash will be wetted and transferred to trucks for disposal at the on-site landfill. This material also could be loaded dry into pneumatic trucks or railcars for shipping to purchasers using a dustless load out. Emissions from the pneumatic loading into the fly ash silo will be controlled by a baghouse, and fugitive particulate emissions will occur during the transfer from the fly ash silo to trucks.

Bottom ash will be removed from the boiler after quenching and pneumatically transported into a bottom ash storage silo. From the bottom ash storage silo, the ash will be wetted and transferred to trucks for disposal at the on-site landfill. This material also could be loaded dry into pneumatic trucks or railcars for shipping to purchasers using a dustless load out. Emissions from the pneumatic loading into the bottom ash silo will be controlled by a baghouse, and fugitive particulate emissions will occur during the transfer from the bottom ash silo to trucks.

As an integral part of the wet scrubber system, quicklime will be delivered to the plant via trucks. The quicklime will be transferred pneumatically to a quicklime storage silo. The quicklime storage silo will have its own baghouse to control particulate emissions that occur during transfer operations. Quicklime from the storage silo is transferred pneumatically to the quicklime preparation building through an enclosed process. The quicklime is mixed with water and made into a slurry that will be injected into the wet flue gas desulfurization (FGD) system for SO₂ control. The quicklime slurry is then stored in tanks near the wet FGD system. From these tanks, the quicklime slurry is sent to the wet FGD system. This is a dustless operation.

Gypsum will be removed from the wet scrubber, dried, and conveyed to the gypsum storage silo. From the storage silo, the gypsum will be transferred to trucks or railcars for shipping to purchasers or wetted for disposal at the on-site landfill. Emissions from the loading into the gypsum silo will be controlled by a baghouse, and fugitive particulate emissions will occur during the transfer from the gypsum silo to trucks or railcars.

An activated carbon silo is proposed to provide storage capacity for activated carbon, which will act as part of a mercury/multi-pollutant control system. The activated carbon will be delivered to the plant via trucks. The activated carbon will be pneumatically transferred to the activated carbon storage silo, with particulate emissions that occur during transfer operations being controlled by a baghouse. The activated carbon will then be fed to the boiler flue gases via a conveyor and blower system. Particulate emissions occurring during the delivery of the activated carbon to the boiler will be controlled by the main boiler baghouse.

8A.2.4.3 Process Cooling

The Heller-type hybrid cooling tower is used to minimize water consumption. A direct contact jet condenser will be used with a Heller dry cooling tower system. In this cooling system, the process steam from the steam turbine is fed to the condenser and condensed by direct cooling with the cooling water coming from the cooling cycle. The blended cooling water and condensate are collected in the hot-well and extracted by circulating water pumps. Approximately 3 percent of this flow – corresponding to the steam condensed – is fed to the boiler feed water system by condensate pumps. The major part of the flow is returned to the cooling tower for recooling. The cooling duty is performed by the cooling deltas, divided into parallel sectors, where cooling air flow is induced by a natural draft dry cooling tower.

When the ambient temperature is below 80°F, the cooling tower operates like a natural draft dry cooling tower. When the temperature exceeds 80°F, the facility has the option of applying water oversprays on the heating surfaces inside of the cooling tower to provide additional cooling. This type of cooling tower has no particulate emissions.

8A.2.4.4 Ash Disposal Area

An on-site ash disposal area of approximately 150 acres will be used to dispose of fly ash, bottom ash and gypsum from the main boiler that will not be recycled. The fly ash, bottom ash, and gypsum will be mixed with water as it is unloaded from their respective silos into trucks, which will then transport the combustion by products to the ash disposal area located on the eastern portion of the property. The trucks will unload the by products in the active disposal area that will be limited to no more than 10 acres at any one time.

8A.2.4.5 Storage Tank

One 1,060,000-gallon fuel oil storage tank; one 4,000-gallon fuel oil storage tank; one 1,000-gallon gasoline storage tank; two 14,000-gallon lube oil storage tanks; two 3,000-gallon lube oil storage tanks; a 1,000-gallon used oil storage tank; and one 300-gallon fuel oil storage tank will be located on-site. These tanks primarily will contain ultra low sulfur diesel to supply the auxiliary boilers, emergency generator, fire-water pump engine, and for startup of the PC fired boilers. There also is a gasoline tank for plant equipment and a lube oil sump for the main boilers and generators.

8A.2.4.6 Construction Emissions

Based on guidance from BAPC, construction activities will be conducted under a separate Air Quality Operating Permit, since the PSD application addresses emissions that are not temporary.

8A.3 Dispersion Modeling Procedures

The suitability of an air quality dispersion model for a particular application is dependent upon several factors. For this study, several selection criteria were evaluated. These criteria are:

- Proposed or approved regulatory dispersion models and guidance;
- Availability of representative meteorological data;
- Land use analysis;
- Stack height relative to nearby structures; and
- Local terrain.

8A.3.1 Dispersion Model Selection

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) has adopted a final rule (*Federal Register*, November 9, 2005) that replaces a standard air quality model that has been in place for over 25 years, the Industrial Source Complex (ISC) model, with a new model, AERMOD (USEPA 2004a). The rule became effective on December 9, 2005, and the ISC model was phased out as of December 9, 2006.

AERMOD is a refined dispersion model for simple and complex terrain for receptors within 50 km of a modeled source. The TEP used the promulgated version of AERMOD (Version 07026). AERMOD was used to assess air quality impacts in the local area for comparison to applicable air quality standards and PSD Class II increments. AERMOD was run with default model options in the CONTROL pathway. Meteorological processing procedures are discussed below.

8A.3.2 Meteorological Data

8A.3.2.1 Meteorological Requirements for AERMOD

USEPA's current meteorological data input requirements for dispersion model applications for impacts in terrain above stack top ("complex terrain") are outlined in Sections 4.2 and 8.3 of Appendix W to 40 CFR 51 (Guideline on Air Quality Models ["Guideline"], see http://www.epa.gov/scram001/guidance/guide/appw_05.pdf). The Nevada BAPC recommends that site-specific meteorological data for heights up to and above stack top should be obtained for large projects such as the TEP. The next subsection summarizes the facility's meteorological data acquisition program.

8A.3.2.2 AERMET Data Processing

The AERMET (USEPA 2005a) meteorological pre-processor (Version 06341) was used to process data required for input to AERMOD. Boundary layer parameters used by AERMOD, which also are required as input to the AERMET processor, include albedo, Bowen ratio, and surface roughness. The land classifications and associated boundary layer parameters were determined following the guidelines provided by the USEPA AERMOD Implementation Guide (AIG) (USEPA 2005b). In accordance with the AIG, the input boundary layer parameters to AERMET were determined using one sector to a distance of 3 km from the meteorological monitoring station (as discussed in Section 8A3.2.5).

8A.3.2.3 Available Meteorological Data for AERMOD

The climate in the project area is typical of high continental deserts. Wind patterns in the valley are influenced primarily by two factors – the synoptic pattern and the valley itself, which imposes mountain and valley flows on the synoptic pattern. Local flows at levels near the ground exhibit a strong north/south pattern, consistent with the local valley orientation.

An on-site meteorological data monitoring program has been set up at the southeast corner of the proposed project site (see **Figure 8A-4**). The data was collected in accordance with a monitoring protocol that has been submitted to the Nevada BAPC. The monitoring program includes an instrumented 50-meter (m) meteorological tower and a Sonic Detection and Ranging (SODAR) profiler (see **Figure 8A-5**), with a backup SODAR used primarily for quality assurance purposes. The on-site meteorological data from the period of April 20, 2006, through April 30, 2007, is available and meets the USEPA's 90 percent data capture requirements (see **Table 8A-1**). Data collection extended beyond 1 year due to loss of power to the SODAR from May 10, 2006, to May 19, 2006, and loss of power to the tower from May 13, 2006, to May 19, 2006. The entire dataset from April 20, 2006, through April 30, 2007 was processed with AERMET. This extended dataset was used to assess modeled short-term impacts. However, annual impacts were assessed using a 365-day period that is a subset of hours from the extended dataset. The annual dataset covers the period of April 20, 2006 through April 19, 2007, which represents an 8,760-hour data capture equal to or better than any other contiguous 8760-hour data period in the 376-day total monitoring period.

The upper air data for the modeled period was obtained from the Mercury Desert Rock Airport, Nevada (KDRA), twice-daily soundings.

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Figure 8A-5. Photograph of the On-Site SODAR Instrument and the Meteorological Tower



**Table 8A-1
Annual Data Recovery by Parameter**

Channel	Possible Hours (12 Months)	Valid Hours (12 Months)	Percent Recovery (12 Months)
10WS	8,760	8,620	98.4
10WD	8,760	8,620	98.4
10ST	8,760	8,620	98.4
50WS	8,760	8,620	98.4
50WD	8,760	8,620	98.4
50ST	8,760	8,620	98.4
10 VWS	8,760	8,620	98.4
50 VWS	8,760	8,620	98.4
10SW	8,760	8,620	98.4
50SW	8,760	8,620	98.4
2mt	8,760	8,620	98.4
10mt	8,760	8,620	98.4
50mt	8,760	8,620	98.4
10-2dt	8,760	8,620	98.4
50-2dt	8,760	8,620	98.4
10-2dt/8	8,760	8,620	98.4
50-2dt/53	8,760	8,620	98.4
RH%	8,760	8,631	98.5
Sol w/m ²	8,760	8,610	98.3
Precipitation	8,760	8,626	98.5
Pressure	8,760	8,631	98.5
SO ₂	8,760	8,059	92.0
NO	8,760	8,091	92.4
NO _x	8,760	8,091	92.4
NO ₂	8,760	8,091	92.4
O ₃	8,760	8,146	93.0
PM ₁₀	60	59	98.3
TSP	60	59	98.3
SODAR*	8,760	8,227	93.9

*SODAR data recovery represents combined data for which at least 3 reporting levels constitutes a valid hour.

For parameters not observed by the on-site meteorological instrumentation, such as cloud cover, hourly observations were taken from St. George, Utah (KSGU). The primary reason for selecting St. George for cloud cover data is proximity to the meteorology site. St. George airport is about 40 miles east of the monitoring site. The next closest candidate is Nellis Air Force Base (AFB), but it is much further away (about 70 miles southwest of the site). Elevation is another factor in the selection of the cloud cover site. The Nellis AFB elevation is about 2,000 feet, while the site elevation is about 2,800 feet and St. George is at 2,880 feet. The Mormon Mountains, with elevations above 7,400 feet, lie west of the monitoring site. The Mormon Range in Utah lies west of St. George.

We also reviewed National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Climate Atlas data such as isopleths of annual mean sunshine hours, annual mean clear days, and cloudy days (see **Appendix 8A-1**) that corroborates our use of St. George, Utah, as a representative site for cloud cover observations. Further discussion of this and other comments of the NDEP on the initial PSD application submittal are provided in **Appendices 8A-2** and **8A-3**.

The St. George cloud cover data was input to AERMET as an external surface file in AERMET's Stage 1 input. The file format used was National Climatic Data Center's (NCDC's) TD-3505 variable length (also referred to as Integrated Surface Hourly or ISH).

The USEPA and Nevada monitoring guidance (USEPA 2000; NDEP 2003) requires meteorological data capture rates to meet or exceed 90 percent and for the ambient air quality data capture rates to meet or exceed 80 percent. The 12-month period of ambient data reported to the NDEP covers the period April 2006 through March 2007, while the 13-month period of meteorological data reported to the NDEP covers the period April 2006 through April 2007. The valid data recovery percentages for both the fixed-tower and SODAR measurements from the meteorological monitoring site are above this 90 percent data capture requirement (see **Table 8A-1**). Tables of percent recovery for each measured parameter by quarter are presented in the appendix of monitoring reports sent to NDEP. The modeling period for short-term averages has added an 11 extra days beyond a full year (376 days, from April 20, 2006, through April 30, 2007) to further enhance the data capture beyond that reported in **Table 8A-1**. As noted above, some data was lost during a few days in May 2006 due to a power failure that affected the tower and SODAR for a portion of an 11-day period (May 9 through 19). However, data for the period May 9 through May 19, 2006, is included in the modeling database because a significant portion of that period had at least tower data available.

8A.3.2.4 Quality Assurance of On-site Meteorological Data

The input to the AERMOD model consisted of on-site meteorological parameters listed in **Table 8A-2**. Wind speed and wind direction values from each tower and SODAR measurement height have been graphically plotted and then visually inspected for reasonableness and consistency. Data values that showed a large deviation from those of neighboring values in height and time were subject to disqualification after examination by experienced meteorologists. The computer modeling archive contains images of the wind fields for every day of the monitoring data.

Table 8A-2
List of On-Site Meteorological Measurements

Measurement Height (m)	Measured Parameters					
	WD	WS	Temperature	Sigma Theta	Sigma W	Solar Radiation
2	N/A	N/A	x	N/A	N/A	x
10	x	x	x	x	x	N/A
50	x	x	x	x	x	N/A
75	x	x	N/A	N/A	x	N/A
100	x	x	N/A	N/A	x	N/A
125	x	x	N/A	N/A	x	N/A
150	x	x	N/A	N/A	x	N/A
175	x	x	N/A	N/A	x	N/A
200	x	x	N/A	N/A	x	N/A
225	x	x	N/A	N/A	x	N/A
250	x	x	N/A	N/A	x	N/A
275	x	x	N/A	N/A	x	N/A
300	x	x	N/A	N/A	x	N/A
325	x	x	N/A	N/A	x	N/A
350	x	x	N/A	N/A	x	N/A
375	x	x	N/A	N/A	x	N/A
400	x	x	N/A	N/A	x	N/A
425	x	x	N/A	N/A	x	N/A
450	x	x	N/A	N/A	x	N/A
500	x	x	N/A	N/A	x	N/A

N/A - no measurements were taken at that level.

x - measurements were taken at that level.

Plots of the wind roses for the 10-m (tower) and 225-m (SODAR) levels are provided in **Figures 8A-6** and **8A-7**, respectively, for a “Full Day” (meaning all hours of the day were plotted, not just daytime or nighttime). These plots show that a pronounced low-level nocturnal drainage flow from the north-northwest at the 10-m level is largely absent at the 225-m level, which would be expected given the nature of the surrounding terrain. Wind roses for the same levels for the daytime hours (7 am – 6 pm) and nighttime hours (7 pm – 6 am) and for four seasons also were plotted (see **Appendix 8A-1**).

Figure 8A-6. On-Site Data Wind Rose at 10-M Level

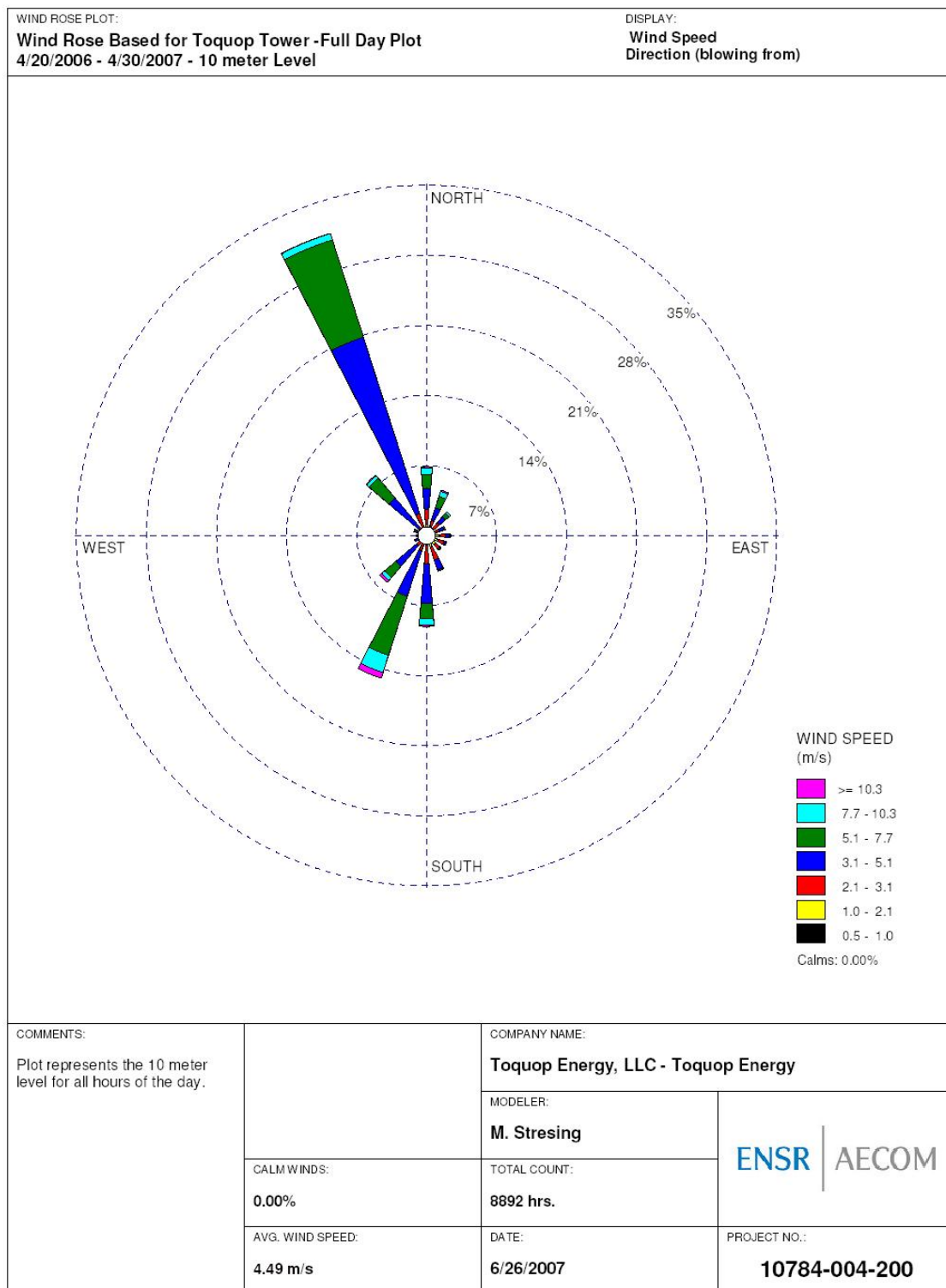
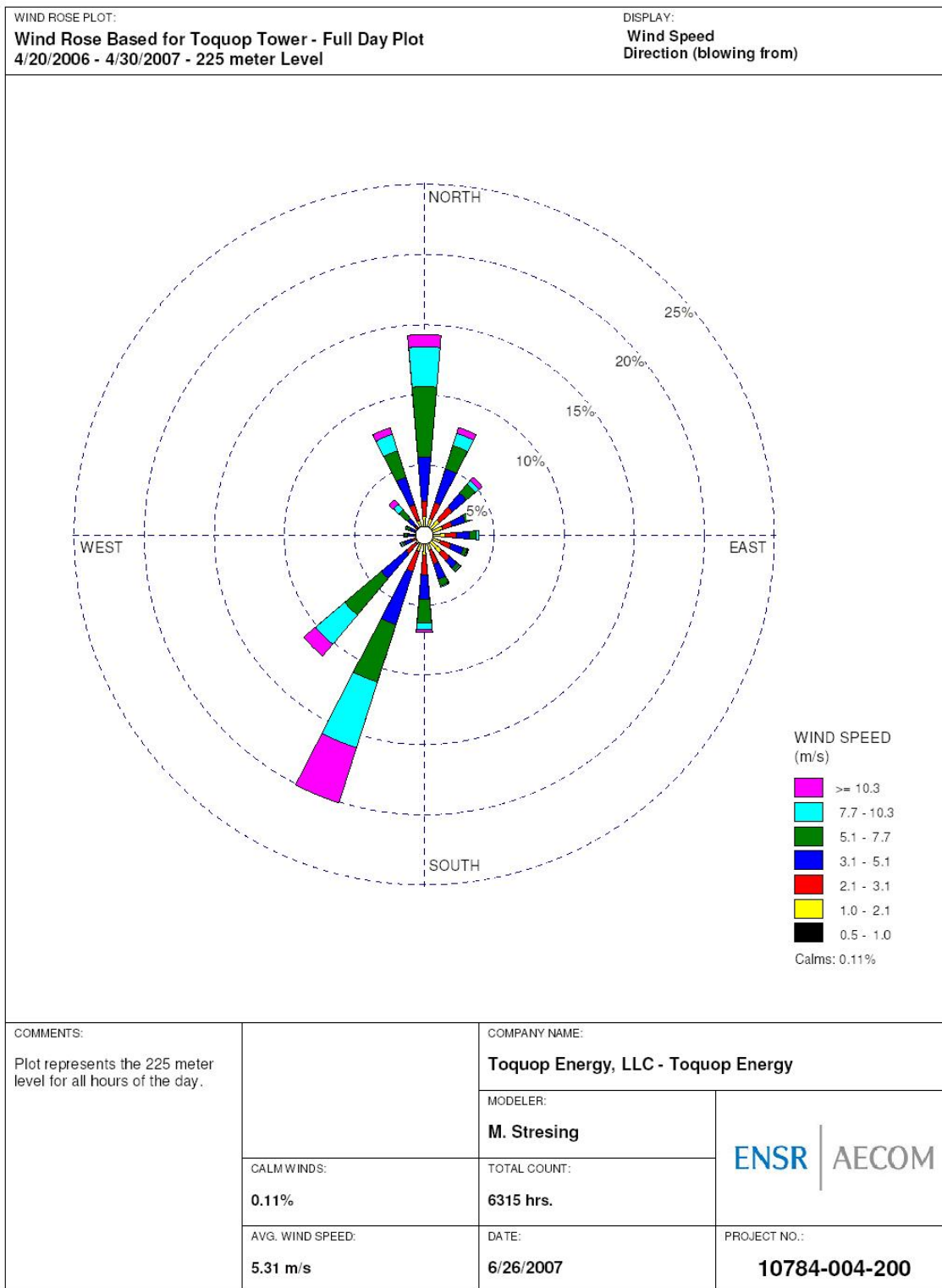


Figure 8A-7. On-Site Data Wind Rose at 225-M Level



WRPLOT View - Lakes Environmental Software

8A.3.2.5 Meteorological Site Land Use Characteristics

Meteorological data required as input to the AERMOD model consists of hourly values of wind speed, wind direction, and ambient temperature taken at one or more levels. Due to the tall stack emissions planned for the Toquop project and the terrain influences in the area, ENSR took meteorological measurements using a tall tower plus a Doppler SODAR. These multiple-level measurements were input to AERMET and were provided to AERMOD in the "PROFILE" file. Internally, AERMOD computes profiles of wind, temperature, and turbulence up to 5,000 m above the ground. Since the measurements do not cover this vertical range, AERMOD computes the required vertical profiles based upon an optimum combination of measured data and theoretical/semi-empirical profiles. The theoretical profiles are based upon atmospheric boundary layer dispersion theory, for which additional boundary layer parameters are required. These additional parameters include sensible heat flux, surface friction velocity, convective velocity scale, vertical potential temperature gradient, convective and mechanical mixing heights, and Monin-Obukhov length. The convective mixing heights are derived from morning upper air soundings in conjunction with heat flux estimates computed within AERMET. AERMET also uses land use surface characteristics, such as surface roughness length, Bowen ratio, and albedo, to compute these parameters, and the results are provided to AERMOD in the "SURFACE" file.

A review of topographic maps and photographs of the area surrounding the meteorological tower shows that the area around the site consists of one type of vegetation – desert shrubland. Desert shrubland is defined as desert salt scrub habitat consisting of mixed shrubland communities, greasewood, shadscale, saltbrush, sagebrush, and rabbitbrush. The University of Idaho website (<http://www.cnrhome.uidaho.edu/default.aspx?pid=85873>) provides a description of the desert shrubland. **Figures 8A-2, 8A-3, and 8A-5** show photographs of the surrounding area. **Figure 8A-8** shows the location of the tower and the surrounding area (to 3 km) on a topographic map.

Figure A8-9 was created from the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) land use and land cover grid data files (<http://edcftp.cr.usgs.gov/pub/data/LULC/250K/>). This figure shows that the on-site tower falls in the USGS land use classification type of 31 to 33, which could be any of the following sub-categories: herbaceous rangeland (31), shrub and brush rangeland (32), or mixed rangeland (33). The 52-category USGS land use classification system can be found at <http://courses.washington.edu/urbdp467/html/classify.html>

The 3-km radial area surrounding the meteorological site has a uniform land use. Monthly land use characteristics used for AERMET processing were based on the land-use classifications of the entire 3-km radial area being desert shrubland. The land use sector classification was conducted by inspecting topographic maps within a 3-km radial area centered on the met tower (as shown in **Figure 8A-8**). The seasonal values for each land classification are provided in the AERMET user's guide (USEPA 2004b) and are summarized in **Tables 8A-3 through 8A-5**.

Figure 8A-8. Land Use Within 3-km of the Meteorological Site

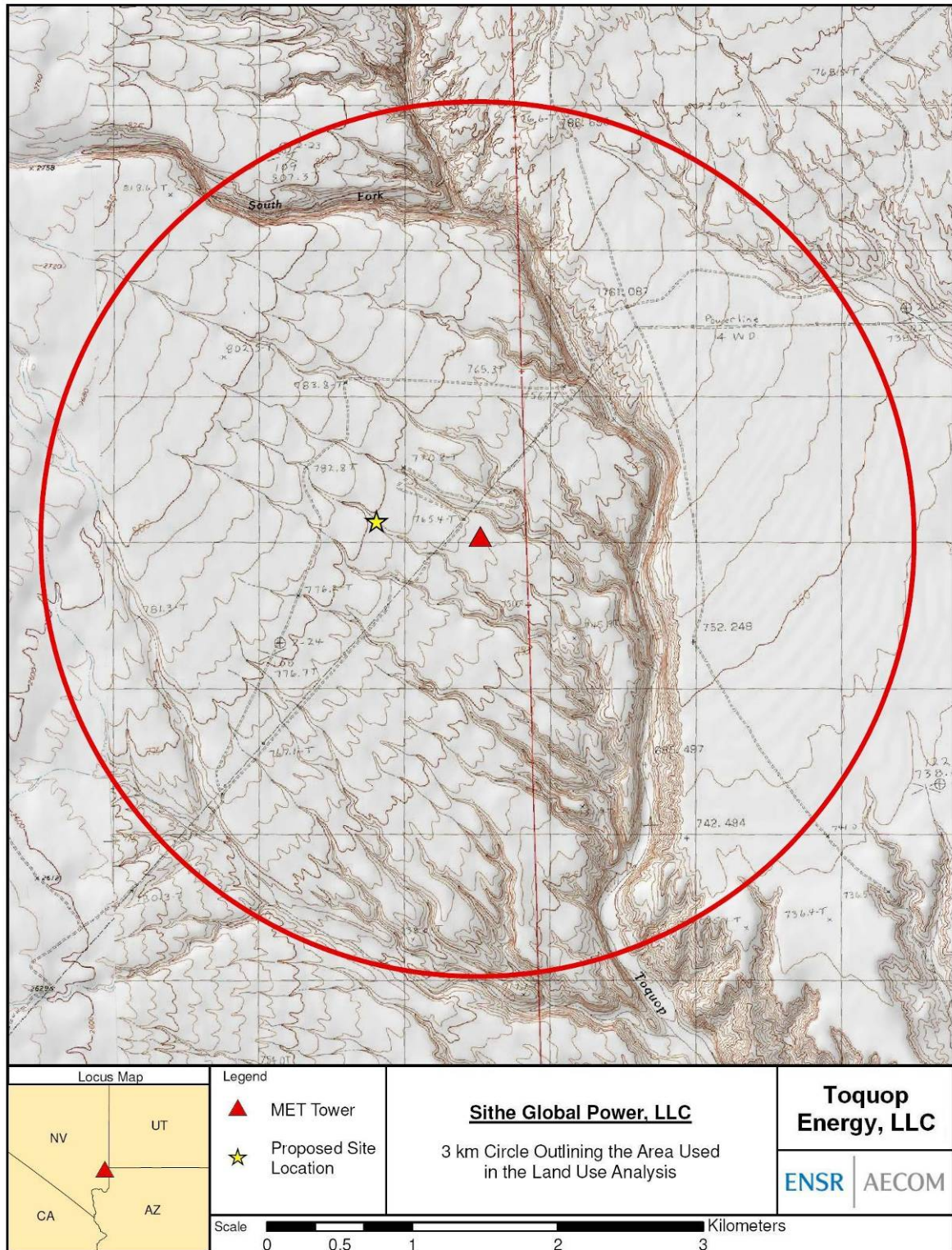


Figure 8A-9. Depiction of the USGS Land Use Around the Met Tower

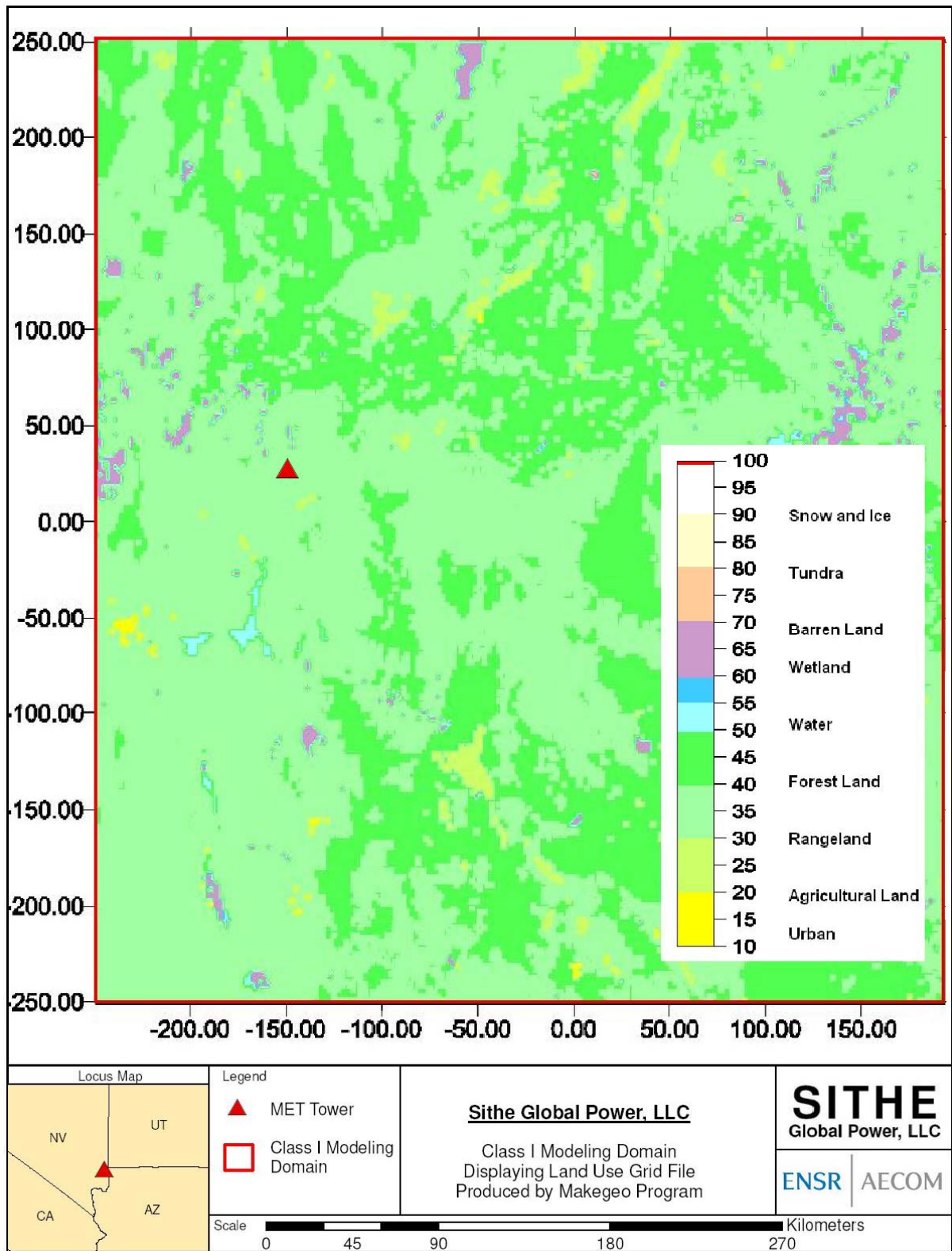


Table 8A-3
Seasonal Albedo Values – From the AERMET User’s Guide

Land-Use Type	Spring	Summer	Autumn	Winter
Water	0.12	0.10	0.14	0.20
Deciduous	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.50
Coniferous	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.35
Swamp	0.12	0.14	0.16	0.30
Cultivated Land	0.14	0.20	0.18	0.60
Grassland	0.18	0.18	0.20	0.60
Urban	0.14	0.16	0.18	0.35
Desert Shrub Land	0.30	0.28	0.28	0.45

Table 8A-4
Seasonal Surface Roughness Values – From the AERMET User’s Guide

Land-Use Type	Spring	Summer	Autumn	Winter
Water	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001
Deciduous	1.00	1.30	0.80	0.50
Coniferous	1.30	1.30	1.30	1.30
Swamp	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.05
Cultivated Land	0.03	0.20	0.05	0.01
Grassland	0.05	0.10	0.01	0.001
Urban	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Desert Shrub Land	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.15

Table 8A-5
Seasonal Bowen Ratio Values – From the AERMET User’s Guide

Land-Use Type	Average				Dry				Wet			
	Spring	Summer	Autumn	Winter	Spring	Summer	Autumn	Winter	Spring	Summer	Autumn	Winter
Water	0.1	0.1	0.1	1.5	0.1	0.1	0.1	2.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3
Deciduous	0.7	0.3	1.0	1.5	1.5	0.6	2.0	2.0	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.5
Coniferous	0.7	0.3	0.8	1.5	1.5	0.6	1.5	2.0	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3
Swamp	0.1	0.1	0.1	1.5	0.2	0.2	0.2	2.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.5
Cultivated Land	0.3	0.5	0.7	1.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.0	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5
Grassland	0.4	0.8	1.0	1.5	1.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.5
Urban	1.0	2.0	2.0	1.5	2.0	4.0	4.0	2.0	0.5	1.0	1.0	0.5
Desert Shrub Land	3.0	4.0	6.0	6.0	5.0	6.0	10.0	10.0	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.0

Monthly albedo, surface roughness, and Bowen ratio based on the land classifications for the above sector were calculated. The Bowen ratio depends on moisture conditions. ENSR researched available historical precipitation data in the area. The purpose of using a nearby, long-term monitoring site for precipitation is to provide a clear comparison of the monitoring period precipitation to a representative precipitation climatology for the area. The nearest station with representative precipitation data is in Overton, Nevada. The Overton average total precipitation for the period of 7/1/1948 to 12/31/2006 was obtained from the Western Regional Climate Center <http://www.wrcc.dri.edu/cgi-bin/cliMAIN.pl?nv5846>. Monthly precipitation data for 2006 also was obtained from the Western Regional Climate Center. However, monthly precipitation data for 2007 was not yet available from this site at the time of the modeling, so we obtained the data from NOAA (<http://cdo.ncdc.noaa.gov/ancsum/ACS>). The monthly data is provided in the modeling archive. The Overton site is a representative available source of precipitation data for the proposed project location due to its close proximity to the site and the lack of significant intervening terrain between TEP and Overton.

The input Bowen ratio was determined by comparing the monthly total precipitation measured in Overton during April, 2006 to April 2007 with the climatology of monthly 58-year average precipitation totals in Overton. If the corresponding monthly total precipitation during the 2006 to 2007 period was below 50 percent of the climatological average, then the month was assumed to be drier than normal. If the corresponding monthly total precipitation during the 2006 to 2007 period was greater than 200 percent of the climatological average, then the month was assumed to be wetter than normal. Observed corresponding monthly precipitation during 2006 to 2007 that was in between 50 and 200 percent of climatological monthly average was assumed to be near-normal. This approach for determining wet, dry, and normal moisture conditions is consistent with guidance developed by USEPA for the CTDMPPLUS meteorological pre-processor, METPRO, from which AERMET was developed. **Table 8A-6** notes the moisture characterization selected for each modeled month.

Table 8A-6
Selected Seasonal Values for AERMET Processing and Monthly Moisture for Bowen Ratio

Precipitation (inches) Amount at Overton Airport, Nevada											
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
1948 to 2006											
0.57	0.68	0.47	0.34	0.13	0.07	0.31	0.27	0.34	0.33	0.48	0.45
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2007	2007	2007	06-07*	2006	2006	2006	2006	2006	2006	2006	2006
0.25	0.34	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.14	1.18	0.03	0.55	1.38	0.00	0.10
Dry	Ave	Dry	Dry	Dry	Ave	Wet	Dry	Ave	Wet	Dry	Dry

Note: In April 2006, precipitation was equal to 0.0" and in April 2007 it was 0.02". Therefore, conditions are dry for both April 2006 and April 2007.

In addition to the Bowen ratio varying based on moisture conditions, each land use parameter needed by AERMET varies on a seasonal basis. For this application, the mapping of each month for each season is shown in **Table 8A-7**. The monthly land use characteristics as shown in **Table 8A-7** were used in AERMET.

Table 8A-7
Monthly Input Boundary Layer Parameters to AERMET

Year	Month	Season	Moisture Assumption	Albedo	Bowen	Z₀
2007	January	Autumn	Dry	0.28	10.00	0.30
2007	February	Autumn	Average	0.28	6.00	0.30
2007	March	Spring	Dry	0.30	5.00	0.30
2006-2007	April	Spring	Dry	0.30	5.00	0.30
2006	May	Summer	Dry	0.28	6.00	0.30
2006	June	Summer	Average	0.28	4.00	0.30
2006	July	Summer	Wet	0.28	1.50	0.30
2006	August	Summer	Dry	0.28	6.00	0.30
2006	September	Summer	Average	0.28	4.00	0.30
2007	October	Summer	Wet	0.28	1.50	0.30
2007	November	Autumn	Dry	0.28	10.00	0.30
2007	December	Autumn	Dry	0.28	10.00	0.30

8A.3.3 Good Engineering Practice Stack Height Analysis

A GEP stack height analysis was performed to determine the potential for building-induced aerodynamic downwash for each of the modeled point sources. The analysis procedures described in USEPA's Guidelines for Determination of Good Engineering Practice Stack Height (USEPA 1985), Stack Height Regulations (40 CFR 51), and current model clearinghouse guidance was used.

The GEP formula height is based on the observed phenomena of disturbed atmospheric flow in the immediate vicinity of a structure resulting in higher ground level concentrations at a closer proximity to the building than would otherwise occur. It identifies the minimum stack height at which significant aerodynamics (downwash) are avoided. The GEP formula stack height, as defined in the 1985 final regulations, is calculated from:

$$H_{GEP} = H_{BLDG} + 1.5L$$

where:

H_{GEP} is the maximum GEP stack height;

H_{BLDG} is the height of the nearby structure; and

L is the lesser dimension (height or projected width) of the nearby structure.

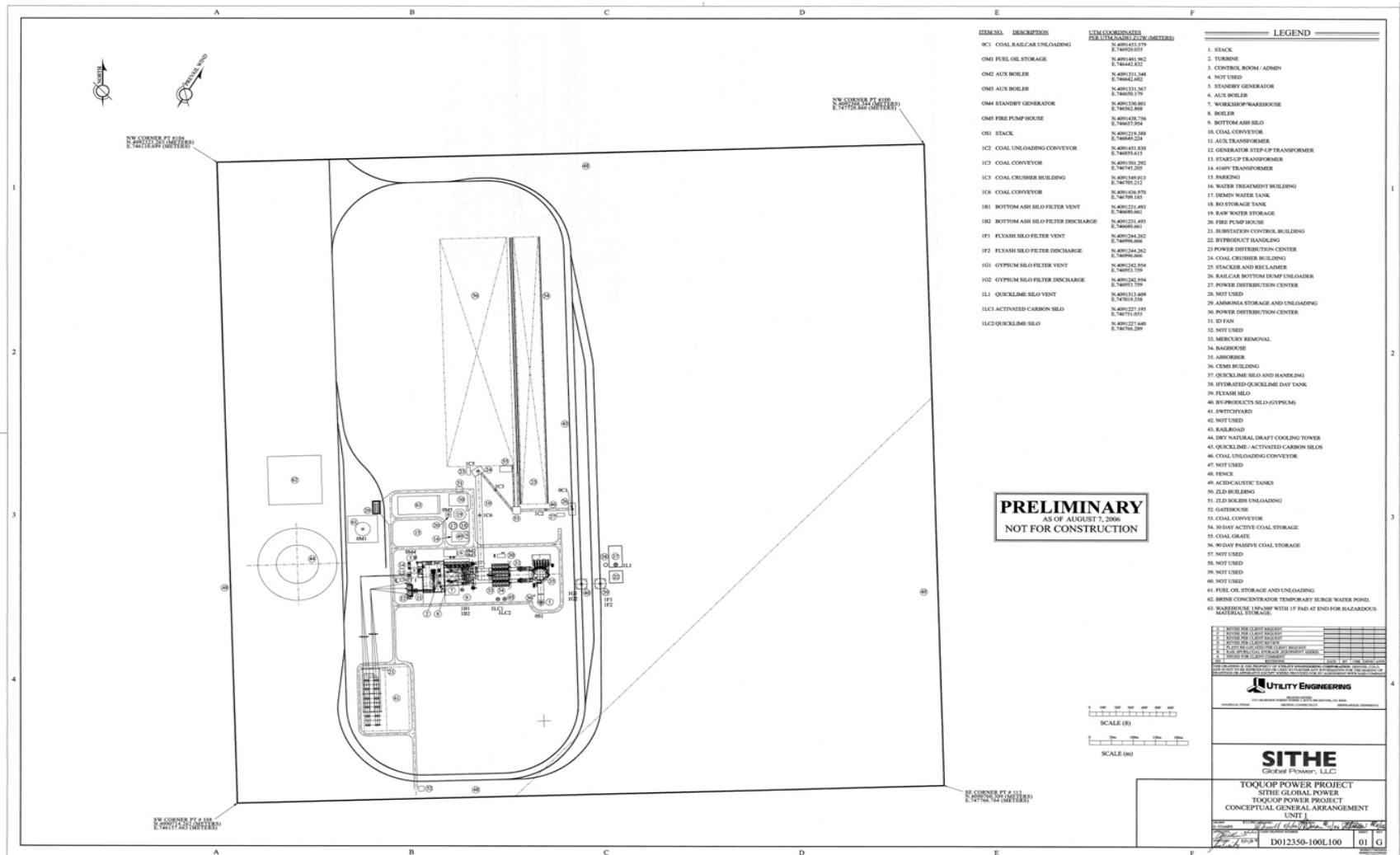
Both the height and width of the structure are determined from the frontal area of the structure projected onto a plane perpendicular to the direction of the wind. In all instances, the GEP stack height is based on the plane projections of any nearby building which results in the greatest justifiable height. For purposes of the GEP analysis, “nearby” refers to the “sphere of influence,” defined as five times the height or width of the building, whichever is less, downwind from the trailing edge of the structure. In the case where a stack is not influenced by nearby structures, the maximum GEP stack height is defined as 65 m.

Figure 8A-10 is a plot plan showing the locations of the power plant facilities and cooling tower stacks, and structures that could potentially produce aerodynamic downwash of the plumes. Given the close proximity of the plant structures to the stack, these structures potentially produce the largest downwash effect. The proposed site will be graded to an approximately level surface; therefore, all the building and stack base elevations were set at the same value. There are no existing buildings or structures outside the proposed plant site that need to be considered in determining downwash.

The direction-specific building dimensions were determined using the latest version of USEPA’s Building Profile Input Program software (BPIP PRIME Dated 04274) using the design values of the stack and building heights.

For this modeling exercise, the GEP formula stack height was determined by running BPIP. The GEP formula stack height is equivalent to 733 feet. This height is determined by a combined building structure encompassing the boiler building and the tripper room. The height of this combined structure is 330 feet while the maximum projected width is 268.7 feet. According to the GEP formula above, these building dimensions would results in a GEP formula of: 330 feet + 1.5x268.7 feet = 733 feet. The stack was modeled at a design height of 730 feet, nearly equivalent to GEP.

Figure 8A-10. Simplified Plot Plan and the Structures Used in the GEP Analysis



Electronic BPIP files with horizontal and lateral building dimensions digitized in a Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) coordinates system (Zone 11 – North American Datum 1983 [NAD83]) are provided with the PSD permit application in the computer modeling archive.

8A.3.4 Building Cavity Analysis

AERMOD's inclusion of the PRIME downwash algorithm automatically takes care of the cavity region, which is generally about three building heights downwind. No additional analysis (e.g., using SCREEN3) is necessary since AERMOD is used for the local impact modeling.

8A.3.5 Local Topography and Receptor Selection

Local topography plays an important role in the selection of the appropriate dispersion model. Available dispersion models were formerly divided into two general categories: those applicable to terrain that is below stack top (simple terrain) and those applicable where the terrain is above stack top (complex terrain). However, AERMOD removes this distinction and allows a seamless treatment of project impacts on terrain both above and below stack top elevation. The project location will be at an elevation of approximately 2,550 feet above msl. The terrain within approximately 8 km of the facility includes a steep ridge (East Mormon Mountains) to the southwest of the plant site, which reaches over 5,200 feet above msl with additional peaks reaching 5,800 feet above msl approximately 14 km to the west.

8A.3.5.1 Local Area Receptors

The proposed facility location is identified by the coordinates of the main stack: 746,849 m Easting and 4,091,219 m Northing (UTM Zone 11, NAD83). The Class II area receptor grid is shown in **Figure 8A-11**. **Figure 8A-12** shows a close-in look at the receptors within a few kilometers of the facility fenceline. Receptors were placed in the Class II domain as described below:

- Fenceline receptors spaced at 30-m (100-foot) intervals;
- 100-m spacing from the fenceline to 2 km;
- 500-m spacing from 2 km to 5 km;
- 1,000-m spacing from 5 km to 10 km; and
- 2,000-m spacing from 10 km to 20 km.

Additional receptors for providing good concentration resolution on nearby high terrain areas were placed on the East Mormon Mountains and on the southern part of the Tule Springs Hill at 250-m spacing.

Figure 8A-11. AERMOD Receptor Grid

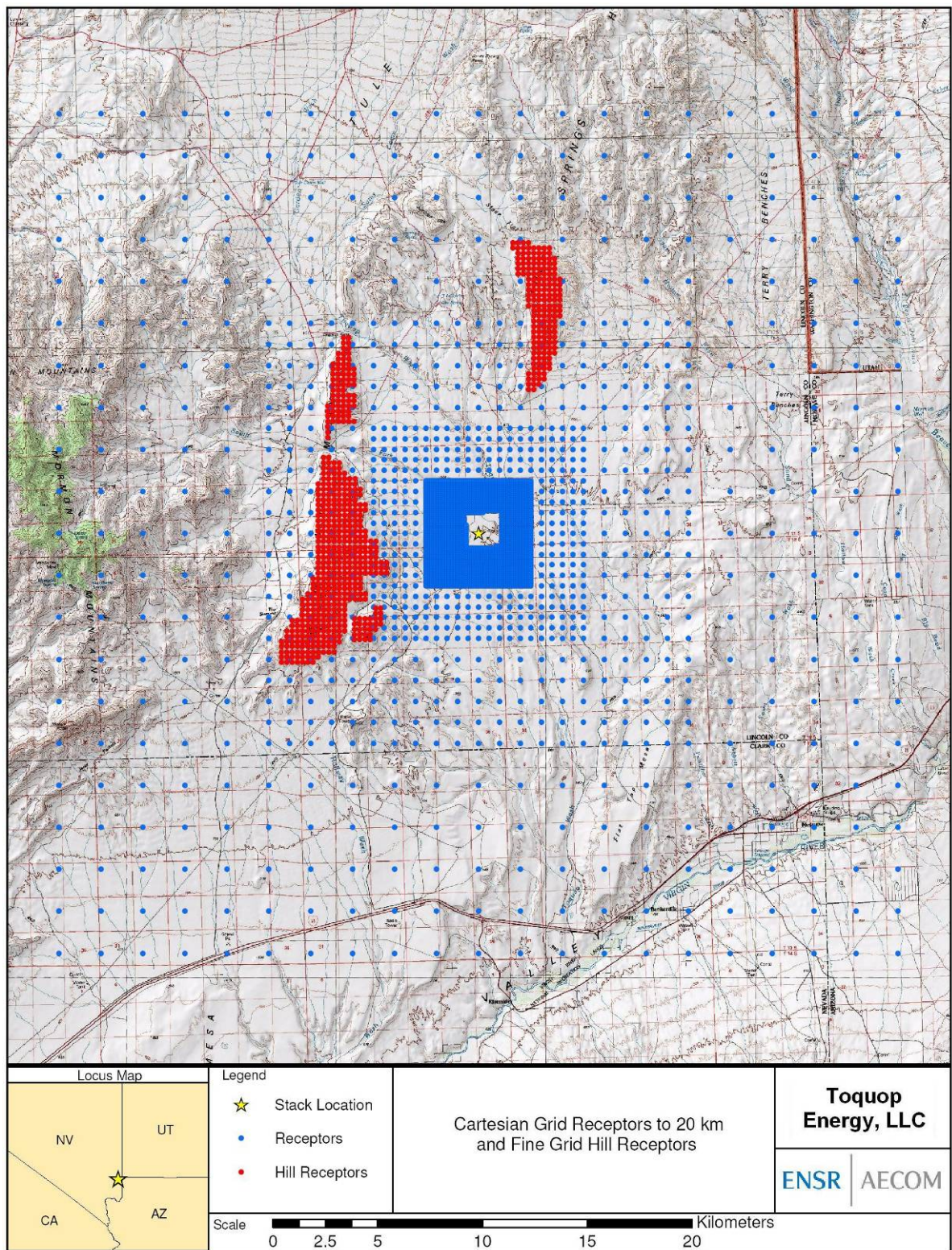
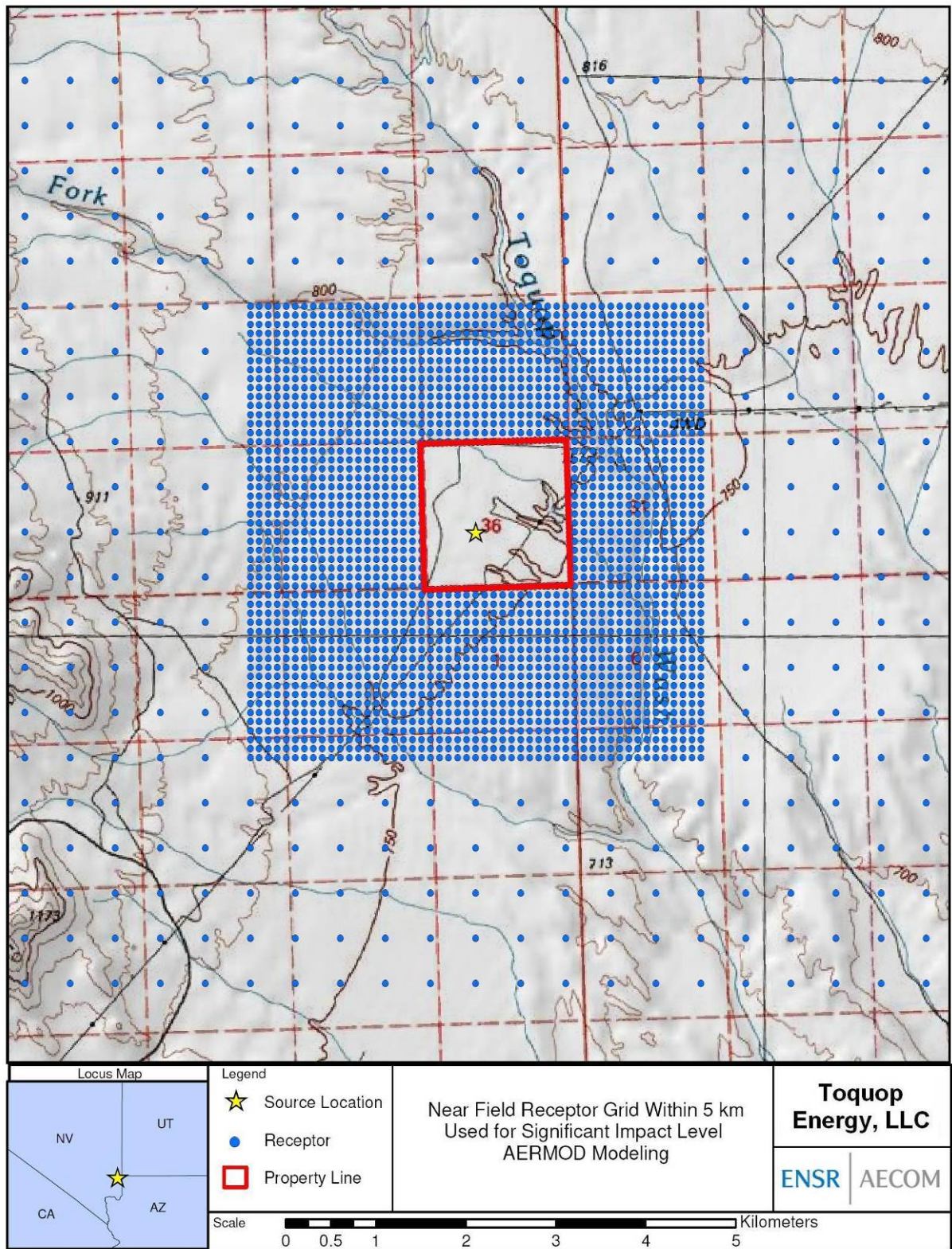


Figure 8A-12. Close-in View of AERMOD Receptor Grid



This receptor grid was used for determining the project's status of significant/insignificant for each of the criteria pollutant/averaging periods and for the cumulative modeling analysis. Depending upon the locations of the peak predicted concentrations, a separate model run using 100-m grid spacing was made, if necessary, to calculate impacts near the receptor areas that exceed 75 percent of the significant impact level (SIL) or other applicable standard. No additional receptors were added because the results of the SIL analysis for each pollutant or averaging period that the project modeled insignificant impacts were already within 100-m spaced receptors or were less than 75 percent of their respective SIL.

The proposed facility's property-boundary fence will consist of a physical barrier to which access by the public will be restricted.

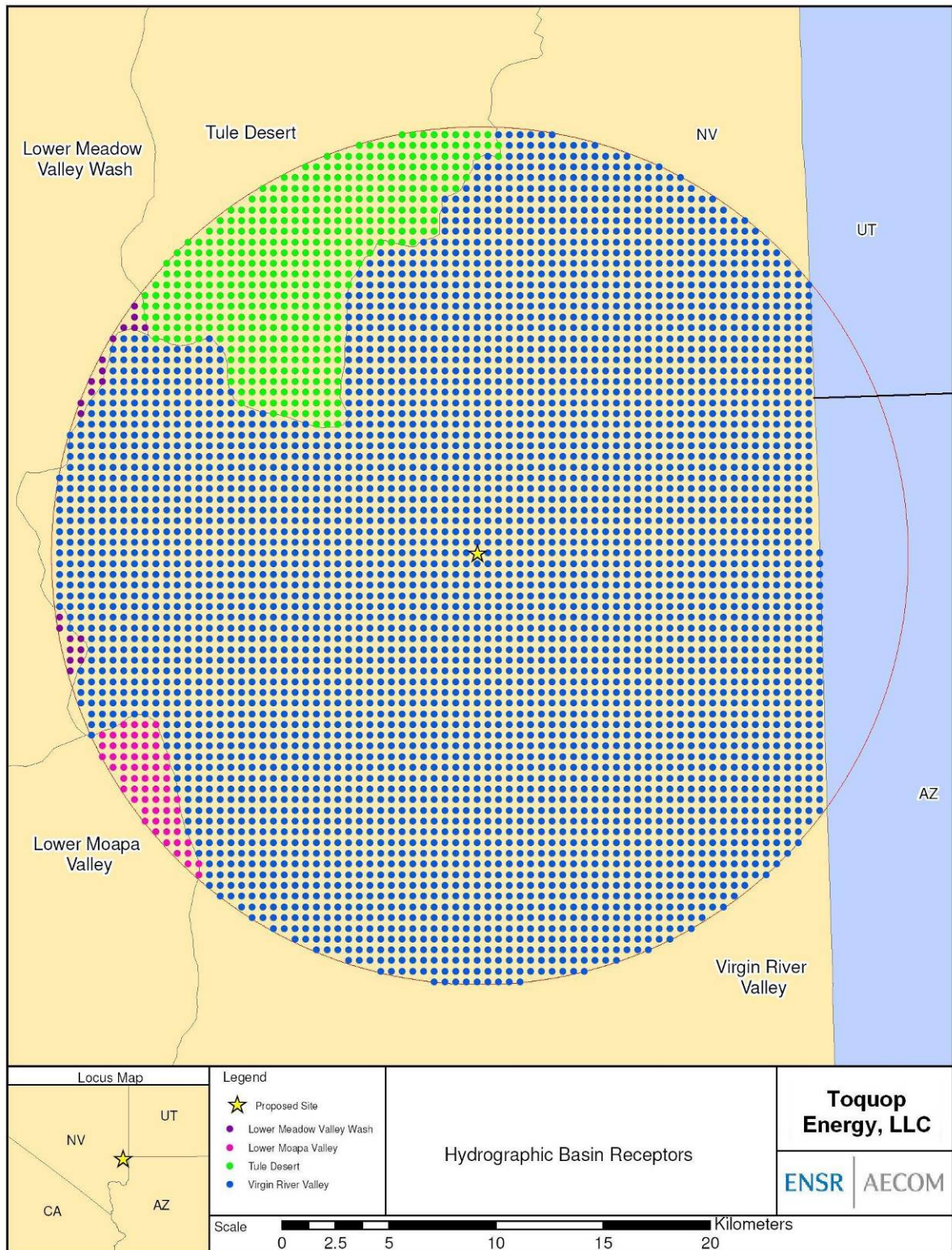
8A.3.5.2 Hydrographic Basin Receptors

Hydrographic basin receptors were placed out to 20 km from the main project stack at 500-m spacing within each affected hydrographic basin. The peak impacts in each hydrographic basin are provided in this appendix. **Figure 8A-13** is a map of the hydrographic basins and their receptor grids that were included in the modeling.

8A.3.5.3 Terrain Processing (AERMAP)

AERMOD was designed to handle all types of terrain from flat to complex. To model the terrain within the modeling domain for the project site, AERMOD requires additional information about the surrounding terrain. This information includes a height scale (or critical hill height) and a base elevation for each receptor. This information is output from AERMOD's terrain preprocessor, AERMAP. Version 04300 was used in lieu of the more recent version 06341 due to an unresolved issue in the new AERMAP version with receptors in the vicinity of UTM zone boundaries. The latest version of AERMAP does not handle the Digital Elevation Model (DEM) files seamlessly, so with that version, there would be gaps in the terrain data near the UTM zone borders. The eastern side of the receptor grid used in this modeling lies on the border of UTM zones 11 and 12. Because of the above issue, version 06341 was not run with this receptor grid. Rather than eliminate a portion of the receptor grid, AERMAP version 04300 was used to process the elevations and critical hill heights. AERMAP requires DEM data from the USGS. The required DEM data corresponds to 7.5-minute native format. Receptor locations were processed with AERMAP prior to running the AERMOD analyses. The DEM data for the project area correspond to NAD27; therefore, AERMAP was run with the appropriate processing option to accommodate receptors in NAD83 and DEM data in NAD27. The electronic DEM files used to run AERMAP are being provided with the PSD permit application submittal.

Figure 8A-13. Nevada Hydrographic Basins



8A.3.6 Background Air Quality Data

Background air quality data are required for comparison of the TEP impacts with the Nevada and National AAQS (NAAQS). Background air quality concentrations were monitored concurrent with the on-site meteorological data. These background values were added to the modeled maximum impacts to obtain estimates of total ambient air quality concentrations for comparison to the NAAQS. At present, there are no major sources of criteria pollutants near the project site, so background concentrations measured on-site should be representative for the entire area.

The following pollutants have been measured at the on-site station:

- NO_x, nitric oxide, and nitrogen dioxide (NO₂);
- SO₂;
- Ozone (O₃);
- Particulate Matter (PM₁₀); and
- Lead (Pb).

Table 8A-8 lists the highest monitored background concentrations corresponding to observed data collected at the on-site monitoring station during the baseline period. All short-term average concentrations (i.e., 1-, 3-, 8-, and 24-hour) represent the maximum concentration measured during the April 2006 through May 2007 period (13 months). Long-term average concentrations listed in the table represent a 12-month average (April 2006 – March 2007).

Table 8A-8
Highest Monitored Background Concentrations

Pollutant	Averaging Period	Concentration (µg/m ³)
NO ₂	Annual	6.9
SO ₂	3-Hour	28.0
	24-Hour	19.1
	Annual	6.6
PM ₁₀	24-Hour	41.0
	Annual	8.9
O ₃	1-Hour	155
	8-Hour	140
Pb	Quarterly	0.0027

A source may be allowed an exemption from the pre-construction monitoring program for a given pollutant if the ambient impacts are less than the de minimis levels established by the USEPA

(see **Table 8A-9**), or if existing data are representative of the air quality near the site. The monitoring program near the proposed site had omitted carbon monoxide (CO) measurements in the expectation that the modeled concentrations would be below the values listed in this table. Predicted project impacts are further discussed in Section 8A-5 and indicate that only PM₁₀ modeled results from the proposed project exceed the tabulated PSD monitoring threshold concentrations.

Table 8A-9
PSD Monitoring Threshold Concentrations

Pollutant	Averaging Period	Threshold Concentration (µg/m ³)
CO	8-hour	575
NO ₂	Annual	14
SO ₂	24-hour	13
PM/PM ₁₀	24-hour	10
O ₃	NA	- ¹
Lead	3-month	0.1
Fluorides	24-hour	0.25
Total Reduced Sulfur	1-hour	10
Reduced Sulfur Compounds	1-hour	10
Hydrogen Sulfide	1-hour	0.2

¹ Exempt if volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions are less than 100 tons per year (tpy).

8A.3.7 Post-Processing of NO_x Impacts

Post-processing of model-predicted impacts was considered for NO₂ impacts only. According to USEPA's modeling guidelines (Appendix W), a first tier assumption is to assume that 100 percent of NO_x emissions are in the form of NO₂. In a refined tier 2 analysis, it may be assumed that 75 percent of the predicted ambient NO_x concentrations will be in the form of NO₂.

8A.4 Characterization of Emissions for Modeling

Maximum annual criteria pollutant emission rates for the proposed project sources are summarized in **Table 8A-10**. The 750 MW supercritical pulverized coal-fired boiler is the primary emission source; emissions and stack parameters are listed in **Table 8A-11**. The table includes the project's main boiler release characteristics and emission rates at 100 and 40 percent operating loads (60 and 80 percent loads also were modeled, and those input data values are provided in the computer archive and in the detailed emissions calculation sheets). The proposed project's main boiler has separate 3-hour, 24-hour and annual emission limits for SO₂ only. These separate averaging period-specific emissions were reflected in the modeling analysis for each respective averaging period.

Table 8A-10
Summary of Criteria Pollutant Maximum Potential Emissions

Pollutant	PC Boiler (tpy)	Two Auxiliary Boilers (tpy)	Emergency Generator (tpy)	Locomotive (tpy)	Firewater Pump Engine (tpy)	Material Handling (tpy)	Project Potential to Emit (PTE) (tpy)
CO	2,649	1.74	0.42	4.53	0.08	n/a	2,656
NO _x	1,590	4.76	0.78	18.85	0.09	n/a	1,614
SO ₂	1,351	0.08	0.018	0.61	0.0002	n/a	1,352
PM ¹	265	0.84	0.02	0.59	0.005	56.8	323
PM ₁₀ ²	795	1.14	0.02	0.59	0.005	56.8	853
VOC	80	0.12	⁽³⁾	1.75	⁽³⁾	n/a	82.5
Lead	5.3	neg.	neg.	neg.	neg.	n/a	5.3
Fluorides	6.4	neg.	neg.	neg.	neg.	n/a	6.4
H ₂ SO ₄	133	neg.	neg.	neg.	neg.	n/a	133
Mercury	neg.	neg.	neg.	neg.	neg.	n/a	neg.
Hydrogen Sulfide	neg.	neg.	neg.	neg.	neg.	n/a	neg.
Total Reduced Sulfur	neg.	neg.	neg.	neg.	neg.	n/a	neg.

n/a – not applicable, neg – negligible

¹ PM is defined as filterable particulate matter as measured by USEPA Method 5.

² PM₁₀ is defined as solid particulate matter smaller than 10 micrometers in diameter as measured by USEPA Method 201 or 201A plus condensable particulate matter as measured by USEPA Method 202. Because PM₁₀ includes condensable particulate matter and PM does not include condensable particulate matter, PM₁₀ emissions are higher than PM emissions.

³ Emissions standards for these engines are based upon USEPA Tier standards, which are based on a combination of NO_x + non-methane hydrocarbon; therefore, VOC emissions have been included in NO_x total emissions to produce a conservatively NO_x emission rate.

Table 8A-11
Main Boiler Release Characteristics and Emissions

Plant Performance						
100% Load heat input to boiler (MMBtu/hr)				6,048		
40% Load heat input to boiler (MMBtu/hr)				2,710		
Emissions	100% Load Emissions			40% Load Emissions		
	lbs/MMBtu		g/s	Lbs/MMBtu		g/s
SO ₂ 3-hour	n/a		60.96	n/a		27.32
SO ₂ 24-hour	0.06		45.72	0.06		20.49
SO ₂ Annual	n/a		38.86	n/a		n/a
NO _x	0.06		45.72	0.06		20.49
PM ₁₀	0.030		22.86	0.030		10.25
CO	0.10		76.20	0.10		34.15
Pb	0.0002		0.152	0.0002		0.0683
Stack Parameters	English			Metric		
	100% Load	40% Load	Units	100% Load	40% Load	Units
Stack gas exit temperature	130	130	Fahrenheit	327.59	327.59	Kelvin
Stack gas exit velocity	65.00	31.85	feet/sec	19.81	9.71	m/sec
Stack height	730	730	Feet	222.50	222.50	Meters
Stack diameter	24.40	24.40	Feet	7.44	7.44	Meters
Location	2450288 East		UTM Zone 11 NAD-1983 (survey feet)	746849.22 East		UTM Zone 11 NAD-1983 (meters)
	13422609 North			4091219.38North		
Base Elevation	2551.02		feet	777.55		Meters

The TEP also will include various other types of combustion and fugitive emission sources that also are considered in the modeling analysis. Emissions from locomotive and paved road sources have been modeled as a series of volume sources. These sources include the following:

- Auxiliary steam generators (**Table 8A-12**);
- Emergency generators (**Table 8A-13**);
- Fire water pumps (**Table 8A-14**);
- Material handling sources (**Tables 8A-15 and 8A-16**); and
- Emissions from road traffic (**Table 8A-16**).

For the auxiliary boilers, emergency generators, and the fire water pumps, the hourly emission rates listed in **Table 8A-12** through **8A-14** were used to assess modeled impacts for short-term averaging periods (24-hours or less). The modeled impacts for the annual averaging period used the annual tpy emissions (converted to grams per second) listed in listed in **Table 8A-12** through **8A-14**.

For fugitive particulate sources (including the locomotive source), maximum hourly emissions were used as input to AERMOD for assessing the short-term impacts (i.e., up to 24 hours). For those sources that do not operate for the full averaging period being modeled, the source emissions were assigned at their maximum hourly rates to the hours that the source is most likely to operate, and zero for the remainder of the hours. This was accomplished by using the “HROFDAY” emission scaling factor in AERMOD. For those hours that the source was expected to be emitting, a scaling factor of 1 was used. Conversely, for those hours the source was considered to be off, a scaling factor of 0 was used. This approach was used to simulate the most likely combination of emissions and dispersion conditions in the modeling assessment.

For example, emission sources such as coal pile bulldozing, landfill bulldozing, and byproduct fly ash, bottom ash, and gypsum discharge to trucks will typically operate during only a portion of the 24-hour period--during a portion of daytime hours from 6 AM to 9 PM. Since this 15-hour period is longer than the actual operating period of most of the sources, we modeled emissions during a subset of hours within this period that are likely to experience the most restrictive dispersion conditions. Model testing indicated that the most restrictive dispersion in the 6 AM to 9 PM period occurs in the early evening. Therefore, we modeled sources with daytime emissions lasting less than 15 hours to end their period of daily operation at 9 PM.

The hours of operation for each source are specified in **Tables 8A-15 and 8A-16**. Also included in these tables are the hours for which the source emissions were activated in the model, if the hours of operation were less than 24 hours per day.

For those sources that could operate only a few hours per day at random (such as the locomotive, which might arrive at any time of day), sensitivity modeling was conducted to determine when the worst dispersion would occur resulting in the highest ground-level impacts. Specifically for the locomotive and rail car unloading facility (which were conservatively assumed to operate 4 hours per day as opposed to the 3.4 hours actually calculated), the worst-case dispersion was determined to be hours 1600 -1900 in winter through sensitivity modeling. This was determined by looking at the maximum 1-hour and 3-hour impacts for the locomotive source alone. These impacts clearly pointed to the evening/nighttime nocturnal hours as giving the highest ground level concentrations. The locomotive was a much higher contributing source to the overall modeled impacts as compared to the rail car unloader, and was therefore used as the determining source for selecting the worst-case period of dispersion. This sensitivity modeling is included in the modeling archive CD.

Annual modeled impacts used maximum annual emission rates listed in **Tables 8A-15** and **8A-16**.

Table 8A-12
Emission Rates and Stack Parameters for Each Auxiliary Boiler

Estimated Annual Hours of Operation:	550	hours/year			
Stack Height:	98	feet			
Stack Diameter:	2.92	Feet			
Stack Flow Rate:	33,038	Cfm			
Average Stack Exit Temperature:	284	°F			
Stack Exit Velocity:	82	feet/s			
Model IDS: 0M2, 0M3					
Pollutant	Hourly Emissions			Annual Emissions	
	(lb/hr)	(g/s)	lb/1000 gal	(tpy)	(g/s)
CO	3.15	0.40	5.0	0.87	0.024
NO _x	8.64	1.09	0.10 lb/MMBtu	2.38	0.068
PM ₁₀ Total	2.08	0.26	3.30	0.57	0.016
SO ₂	0.14	0.018	0.22	0.04	.001

Table 8A-13
Emission Rates and Stack Parameters for the Emergency Diesel Generator

Maximum Annual Hours of Operation:	100	hours/year			
Stack Height:	45	Feet			
Stack Diameter:	1	Feet			
Stack Flow Rate:	9058	Cfm			
Stack Gas Exit Temperature:	870	°F			
Stack Gas Exit Velocity:	192.2	feet/s			
Model IDs 0M4					
	Hourly Emissions			Annual Emissions	
Pollutant	(lb/hr)	(g/hp-hr)	(g/s)	(tpy)	(g/s)
CO	8.49	2.6	1.07	0.42	0.012
NO _x	15.68	4.8	1.98	0.78	0.022
PM ₁₀ Total	0.49	0.15	0.06	0.02	0.0007
SO ₂	0.36	0.11	0.05	0.02	0.0006

Table 8A-14
Emission Rates and Stack Parameters for the Diesel Fire Water Pump

Maximum Annual Hours of Operation:	100	hours/year			
Stack Height:	30	Feet			
Stack Diameter	0.6	Feet			
Stack Flow Rate:	1265	Cfm			
Stack Gas Exit Temperature:	900	°F			
Stack Gas Exit Velocity:	75	feet/s			
Model IDs: 0M5					
Pollutant	Hourly Emissions			Annual Emissions	
	(lb/hr)	(g/hp-hr)	(g/s)	(tpy)	(g/s)
CO	1.63	2.6	0.21	0.08	0.002
NO _x	1.88	3.0	0.237	0.09	0.0023
PM ₁₀ Total	0.09	0.15	0.011	0.005	0.00013
SO ₂	0.004	0.0016	0.0005	0.0002	0.00006

Table 8A-15
Summary of Model Input for Material Point Handling Sources

Source Description	Model ID	Emission Type	Stack Coordinates ¹		Stack Height (m)	Stack Base Elevation (m)	Stack Diameter (m)	Stack Velocity (m/s)	Exit Temp (K)	PM ₁₀ Emissions (g/s) ²		Operating Hours (hr/day)	Modeling Comments
			UTM X (m)	UTM Y (m)						Hourly	Annual		
Coal Crusher Building	1C5	Point	746704.51	4091548.85	45.72	777.55	0.64	17.78	293	0.048	0.048	24	Source modeled operating 24 hour per day 8,760 hours per year
Coal Railcar Unloading ³	0C1	Point	746920.03	4091453.59	3.05	777.55	0.55	17.78	293	0.014	0.0009	3.4	Hours of operation are based on time required to unload entire train of coal Source assumed on hours 16-19
Quicklime Silo #1	1L1	Point	747019.34	4091313.61	18.90	777.55	0.34	20.30	293	0.043	0.043	24	Source modeled operating 24 hour per day 8,760 hours per year
Quicklime Silo #2	1L2	Point	746766.29	4091227.64	18.90	777.55	0.34	20.30	293	0.043	0.043	24	Source modeled operating 24 hour per day 8,760 hours per year
Flyash Silo Vent and Discharge ⁴	1F1&2	Point	746984.10	4091266.07	67.36	777.55	0.34	17.78	293	0.076	0.076	24	Source modeled operating 24 hour per day 8,760 hours per year
Gypsum Silo Vent and Discharge ⁵	1G1&2	Point	746941.19	4091264.76	18.90	777.55	0.34	18.29	293	0.076	0.076	24	Source modeled operating 24 hour per day 8,760 hours per year
Activated Carbon Silo	1LC1	Point	746751.06	4091227.20	18.90	777.55	0.34	20.30	293	0.043	0.043	24	Source modeled operating 24 hour per day 8,760 hours per year
Bottom Ash Vent and Discharge ⁶	1B1&2	Point	746669.38	4091250.20	24.99	777.55	0.34	17.78	293	0.076	0.076	24	Source modeled operating 24 hour per day 8,760 hours per year
Coal Transfer House	53	Point	746793.00	4091451.00	32.00	777.55	0.55	17.78	293	0.048	0.048	24	Source modeled operating 24 hour per day 8,760 hours per year
Byproduct Silo Filter Vent	40_BV	Point	746939.88	4091307.67	18.90	777.55	0.36	18.29	293	0.043	0.043	24	Source modeled operating 24 hour per day 8,760 hours per year

¹ UTM Zone 11 NAD83 (meters).

² More detailed emission calculations available in the PSD application appendices. PM₁₀ emissions represent maximum hourly / annual rates.

³ Coal railcar unloading annual emission based on 2.944 million tons of coal processed annually as compared to 5,000 tons of coal processed per hour.

⁴ Flyash silo vent filter and discharge source is comprised on flyash silo loading and unloading emissions.

⁵ Gypsum silo vent filter and discharge source is comprised on gypsum silo loading and unloading emissions.

⁶ Bottom ash silo vent filter and discharge source is comprised on bottom ash silo loading and unloading emissions.

Table 8A-16
Volume and Area Source Model Input

Source ID	Source Location ²		Base Elev. (m)	Release Height (m)	Oper (hr/dy)	Emission Rate ¹ (g/sec)								Source Parameters ³				Modeling Comments
	X (m)	Y (m)				PM ₁₀		CO	SO ₂		NO _x							
						Hrly	An	Hrly	Hrly	An	Hrly	An	Syinit	Szinit				
Volume Sources						Hrly	An	Hrly	Hrly	An	Hrly	An	Syinit	Szinit				
40_TD ⁴	746941.6	4091300.5	777.55	2.50	8.0	0.012	0.003	--	--	--	--	--	2.33	2.33	Anytime between 6 AM – 9 PM Source assumed on hours 14-21			
FAS ⁵	746985.4	4091267.4	777.55	2.00	3.5	0.088	0.013	--	--	--	--	--	2.33	2.33	Anytime between 6 AM – 9 PM Source assumed on 17-21			
GS ⁶	746941.6	4091266.7	777.55	2.00	4.2	0.079	0.0004	--	--	--	--	--	2.33	2.33	Anytime between 6 AM – 9 PM Source assumed on hours 16-21			
BAS ⁷	746668.1	4091249.7	777.55	2.00	4.7	0.044	0.001	--	--	--	--	--	1.16	2.33	Anytime between 6 AM – 9 PM Source assumed on hours 16-21			
1C7A ⁸	746635.0	4091313.7	777.55	82.30	24	0.063	0.063	--	--	--	--	--	2.33	2.33	Sources modeled operating 24 hour per day 8760 hours per year			
1C7B	746649.0	4091314.1	777.55	82.30	24			--	--	--	--	--	2.33	2.33				
1C7C	746663.8	4091313.7	777.55	82.30	24			--	--	--	--	--	2.33	2.33				
1C7D	746677.9	4091313.3	777.55	82.30	24			--	--	--	--	--	2.33	2.33				
Locomotive ⁹	746365.2	4092319.8	777.55	4.00	3.4	0.14	0.02	4.83	0.65	0.018	4.42	0.542	6.98	3.72	Anytime of day For 24-hour averages - source assumed on hours 16-19 For 1-, 3-, and 8-hour averages – source assumed to operate all hours			
Road	746562.5	4090740.0	777.55	5.00	24	0.13	0.11	--	--	--	--	--	8.37	4.65	Source modeled 24 hour per day 8,760 hours per year			
Rectangular Area													Xinit	Yinit	Angle	Szinit		
54_WIND ¹⁰	746632.3	4091559.1	777.55	5.00	24	0.13	0.13	--	--	--	--	--	230.65	570.26	-1.5	0	Source modeled 24 hour per day 8,760 hours per year	
54_BULL ¹¹	746632.3	4091559.1	777.55	5.00	12	0.17	0.07	--	--	--	--	--	230.65	570.26	-1.5	0	Anytime between 6 AM – 9 PM Source assumed on hours 10-21	
54_CONS TACK ¹²	746632.3	4091559.1	777.55	5.00	8	0.05	0.003	--	--	--	--	--	230.65	570.26	-1.5	0	Anytime of day Source assumed on hours 17-24	
CCP_BULL ¹³	747067.9	4091275.1	777.55	5.00	12	0.17	0.06	--	--	--	--	--	500.0	80.94	-1.50	0	Anytime between 6 AM – 9 PM Source assumed on hours 10-21	
CCP_TRUCK ¹⁴	747067.9	4091275.1	777.55	5.00	13.3	0.0001	0.0001	--	--	--	--	--	500.0	80.94	-1.50	0	Anytime between 6 AM – 9 PM Source assumed on hours 8-21	
CCP_WIND ¹⁵	747067.9	4091275.1	777.55	5.00	24	0.68	0.68	--	--	--	--	--	500.0	80.94	-1.50	0	Source modeled 24 hour per day 8760 hours per year	

¹ Emissions rates represent maximum hourly(hrly) / annual rates.

² Source Locations are provided in UTM Coordinates (Zone 11 – NAD 1983)

³ Xinit = Lateral X dimension of rectangular area source (meters), Yinit = Lateral Y dimension of rectangular area source (meters).

Angle = Orientation angle of the rectangular area source (degrees).

Parameters provided for first source defining road and locomotive segment. Emissions represent total for segment (model files have more detail).

⁴ Source ID "40_TD" → byproduct silo discharge to trucks. Daily hours of operation are based on 250, TPH and 2,000 TPD process rate.

⁵ Source ID "FAS" → flyash silo discharge to trucks. Daily hours of operation are based on 400, TPH and 1,404 TPD process rate.

⁶ Source ID "GS" → gypsum silo discharge to trucks. Daily hours of operation are based on 360, TPH and 1,500 TPD process rate.

⁷ Source ID "BAS" → bottom ash silo discharge to trucks. Daily hours of operation are based on 360, TPH and 1,700 TPD process rate.

⁸ Source ID "1C7A-D" → Coal Transfer House / Tripper Deck source. This was divided into 4 volume sources to represent emissions along the entire roof of the tripper deck. The emission rate represents the total emissions from the tripper deck.

⁹ Source ID "Locomotive" → Locomotive combustion engine. Daily hours of operation are based time required to unload 1 full train of coal.

¹⁰ Source ID "54_WIND" → Coal pile wind erosion.

¹¹ Source ID "54_BULL" → Coal pile bull dozing.

¹² Source ID "54_CONSTACK" → Coal pile conveying and stockout.

¹³ Source ID "CCP_BULL" → CCP landfill bulldozing.

¹⁴ Source ID "CCP_TRUCK" → CCP landfill disposal truck drop. Daily hours of operation are based on 79, TPH and 1,047 TPD process rate.

¹⁵ Source ID "CCP_WIND" → CCP landfill wind erosion.

8A.5 Modeling Results

8A.5.1 PSD Class II Significant Impact Analysis

Emissions associated with the facility's normal operations were modeled to determine whether the ambient air impacts are above PSD SILs. These impacts were assessed using AERMOD at the Class II receptor locations described previously, and compared to the PSD SILs provided in **Table 8A-17**. A full year of representative on-site meteorological data were used as input to AERMOD in the initial application, as discussed in Section 8A.3. The data set actually spans 376 days, therefore the entire period was assessed for short-term impacts. The annual impacts were assessed using a 365-day period from April 20, 2006, through April 19, 2007.

Table 8A-17
PSD Class II Criteria Pollutant SILs

Pollutant	Averaging Time ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)				
	Annual	24-hour	8-hour	3-hour	1-hour
SO ₂	1	5	-	25	-
PM ₁₀	1	5	-	-	-
NO ₂	1	-	-	-	-
CO	-	-	500	-	2000

Source: 40 CFR 51.165(b)(2).

Since the TEP is located in Hydrographic Basin HA 222, the analysis also addressed maximum impacts in that Basin. Since Hydrographic Basins 205, 220, and 221 are nearby (within 20 km), the analysis also specifically examined impacts in these basins (see Section 8A.5.3).

Results of the AERMOD modeling with all of the proposed source emissions modeled, but with the main stack emissions at a range of loads (100, 80, 60, and 40 percent), are presented in **Tables 8A-18** through **8A-21**, respectively. An overall summary of the peak impacts is listed in **Table 8A-22**. For SO₂, it is evident that the 100 percent load case is the most controlling. For PM₁₀, NO_x, and CO, the peak impacts change very little with the main boiler load, so other sources such as auxiliary boilers or the locomotive emissions could be primarily culpable for those peak predicted impacts. Therefore, 100 percent load conditions were used for all subsequent modeling.

Table 8A-18
AERMOD Results with Main Boiler at 100 Percent Load

Averaging Period	Maximum Modeled Concentration (µg/m ³)	Location (UTM Zone 11 NAD 83)		Distance (m)	Bearing (deg)
		Easting (m)	Northing (m)		
SO ₂					
3-Hour	50.891	746859.12	4092345.25	1004.93	8
24-Hour	6.817	746859.12	4092345.25	1004.93	8
Period	0.310	742332.31	4089707.75	4684.96	249
PM ₁₀					
24-Hour	23.628	747761.69	4091119.75	1066.83	102
Period	4.373	747353.25	4090749.00	873.04	134
NO ₂					
Period	6.305	746575.88	4090722.50	643.84	193
CO					
1-Hour	694.307	746366.62	4090715.50	726.27	209
8-Hour	216.575	746575.88	4090722.50	643.84	193
Pb					
Quarterly	0.012	742332.31	4089707.75	4684.96	249

Table 8A-19
AERMOD Results with Main Boiler at 80 Percent Load

Averaging Period	Maximum Modeled Concentration (µg/m ³)	Location (UTM Zone 11 NAD 83)		Distance (m)	Bearing (deg)
		Easting (m)	Northing (m)		
SO ₂					
3-Hour	50.891	746859.12	4092345.25	1004.93	8
24-Hour	6.774	746859.12	4092345.25	1004.93	8
Period ¹	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
PM ₁₀					
24-Hour	23.613	747761.69	4091119.75	1066.83	102
Period ¹	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
NO ₂					
Period ¹	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
CO					
1-Hour	1 Hour	694.307	746366.62	4090715.50	726.27
8-Hour	8 Hour	216.575	746575.88	4090722.50	643.84
Pb					
Quarterly	0.011	742332.31	4089707.75	4684.96	249

¹ Annual averaging period modeling only performed for the 100 percent load since the Main Boiler will not operate at 80 percent load for an entire year.

Table 8A-20
AERMOD Results with Main Boiler at 60 Percent Load

Averaging Period	Maximum Modeled Concentration (µg/m ³)	Location (UTM Zone 11 NAD 83)		Distance (m)	Bearing (deg)
		Easting (m)	Northing (m)		
SO ₂					
3-Hour	50.891	746859.12	4092345.25	1004.93	8
24-Hour	6.715	746859.12	4092345.25	1004.93	8
Period ¹	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
PM ₁₀					
24-Hour	23.627	747761.69	4091119.75	1066.83	102
Period ¹	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
NO ₂					
Period ¹	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
CO					
1-Hour	694.307	746366.62	4090715.50	726.27	209
8-Hour	216.575	746575.88	4090722.50	643.84	193
Pb					
Quarterly	0.009	742332.31	4089457.75	4778.33	247

¹ Annual averaging period modeling only performed for the 100 percent load since the Main Boiler will not operate at 60 percent load for an entire year.

Table 8A-21
AERMOD Results with Main Boiler at 40 Percent Load

Averaging Period	Maximum Modeled Concentration (µg/m ³)	Location (UTM Zone 11 NAD 83)		Distance (m)	Bearing (deg)
		Easting (m)	Northing (m)		
SO ₂					
3-Hour	50.890	746859.12	4092345.25	1004.93	8
24-Hour	6.640	746859.12	4092345.25	1004.93	8
Period ¹	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
PM ₁₀					
24-Hour	23.613	747761.69	4091119.75	1066.83	102
Period ¹	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
NO ₂					
Period ¹	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
CO					
1-Hour	694.307	746366.62	4090715.50	726.27	209
8-Hour	216.575	746575.88	4090722.50	643.84	193
Pb					
Quarterly	0.006	742332.31	4089457.75	4778.33	247

¹ Annual averaging period modeling only performed for the 100 percent load since the Main Boiler will not operate at 40 percent load for an entire year.

Table 8A-22
Summary of Maximum Results from all Loads

Averaging Period	SIL (µg/m³)	Maximum Modeled Concentration (µg/m³)	Load (%)	Location (UTM Zone 11 NAD 83)		Distance (m)	Bearing (deg)
				Easting (m)	Northing (m)		
SO ₂							
3-Hour	25	50.891	100	746859.12	4092345.25	1004.93	8
24-Hour	5	6.817	100	746859.12	4092345.25	1004.93	8
Period	1	0.310	100	742332.31	4089707.75	4684.96	249
PM ₁₀							
24-Hour	5	23.628	100	747761.69	4091119.75	1066.83	102
Period	1	4.373	100	747353.25	4090749.00	873.04	134
NO ₂							
Period	1	6.305	100	746575.88	4090722.50	643.84	193
CO							
1-Hour	2000	694.307	100	746366.62	4090715.50	726.27	209
8-Hour	500	216.575	100	746575.88	4090722.50	643.84	193
Pb							
Quarterly	NA	0.012	100	742332.31	4089707.75	4684.96	249

The overall summary indicates that the TEP has significant monitoring concentrations for only PM₁₀ (see **Table 8A-9**). The results also indicate significant modeled impacts for the following pollutants and averaging times:

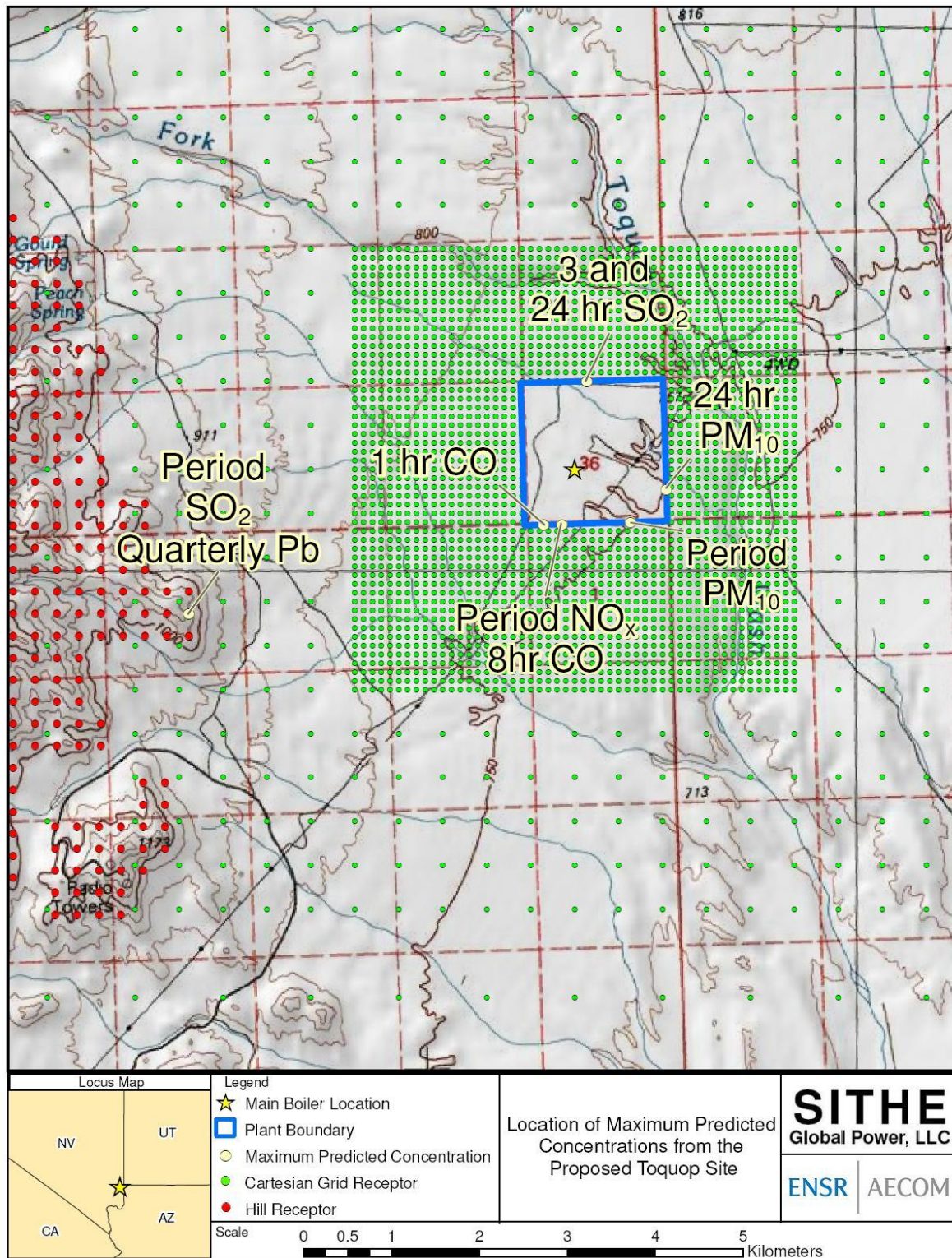
- Short-term (3 and 24-hour) SO₂;
- Annual NO₂; and
- Short-term (24-hour) and annual PM₁₀.

Therefore cumulative modeling was conducted for those pollutants and averaging periods (see Section 8A5.3).

The TEP has insignificant impacts for CO, and the predicted lead concentrations are less than 1 percent of the NAAQS. Therefore, no additional modeling was conducted for CO and lead.

Figure 8A-14 shows the locations of the peak project impacts. Most of the peak impacts are close to the plant fenceline due to emissions from fugitive sources or low-level sources such as locomotive engines or auxiliary boilers. The 3-hour and annual SO₂ impacts are further away, to the southwest of the facility. The peak impacts are influenced by the elevated terrain of the East Mormon Mountains to the southwest and fall within the refined hilltop receptor grids.

Figure 8A-14. Location of the Maximum Project Impacts



The extent of the significant impact area (SIA) as determined from the SIL modeling for each pollutant is:

- SO₂ → 8 km
- NO₂ → 2 km
- PM₁₀ → 3.2 km.

8A.5.2 Hydrographic Basins

Figure 8A-13 shows the hydrographic basins in the vicinity of the project site (within 20 km). **Table 8A-22** lists the highest predictions occurring in the Virgin River hydrographic basin, where the project is located. The modeling results for the remaining three hydrographic basins (Lower Meadow Valley Wash, Tule Desert, and Lower Moapa) are provided in **Tables 8A-23** through **8A-25**. As requested by NDEP, cumulative modeling for SO₂, NO_x, and PM₁₀ was conducted for the receptors located in the adjacent hydrographic basins even if the modeled impacts were below the SIL.

Table 8A-23
Peak Impacts in Lower Meadow Valley Wash Basin

Pollutant	Averaging Period	Project Maximum Modeled Impact (µg/m ³)	Location (UTM Zone 11 NAD 83)		PSD Class II SIL (µg/m ³)	Percent of SIL
			Easting (m)	Northing (m)		
SO ₂	3-Hour	6.592	730720.00	4102350.00	25	26.37
	24-Hour	0.967	730720.00	4102850.00	5	19.34
	Period	0.059	730720.00	4102850.00	1	5.87
PM ₁₀	24-Hour	0.500	730720.00	4102850.00	5	10.00
	Period	0.036	730720.00	4102850.00	1	3.61
NO ₂	Period	0.070	730720.00	4102850.00	1	6.98
CO	1-Hour	22.602	730720.00	4102350.00	2000	1.13
	8-Hour	4.352	730720.00	4102850.00	500	0.87

Table 8A-24
Peak Impacts in Tule Desert Basin

Pollutant	Averaging Period	Project Maximum Modeled Impact ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	Location (UTM Zone 11 NAD 83)		PSD Class II SIL ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	Percent of SIL
			Easting (m)	Northing (m)		
SO ₂	3-Hour	15.760	736220.00	4099850.00	25	63.04
	24-Hour	1.601	736220.00	4099850.00	5	32.02
	Period	0.130	740220.00	4097350.00	1	13.01
PM ₁₀	24-Hour	0.802	736220.00	4099850.00	5	16.04
	Period	0.081	740220.00	4097350.00	1	8.11
NO ₂	Period	0.155	740220.00	4097350.00	1	15.50
CO	1-Hour	58.958	736220.00	4099850.00	2000	2.95
	8-Hour	7.949	736220.00	4099850.00	500	1.59

Table 8A-25
Peak Impacts in Lower Moapa Basin

Pollutant	Averaging Period	Project Maximum Modeled Impact ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	Location (UTM Zone 11 NAD 83)		PSD Class II SIL ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	Percent of SIL
			Easting (m)	Northing (m)		
SO ₂	3-Hour	4.740	731720.00	4082850.00	25	18.96
	24-Hour	0.651	732220.00	4081850.00	5	13.03
	Period	0.070	731720.00	4083350.00	1	7.03
PM ₁₀	24-Hour	0.501	732220.00	4077850.00	5	10.02
	Period	0.045	733720.00	4076850.00	1	4.46
NO ₂	Period	0.084	731720.00	4083350.00	1	8.36
CO	1-Hour	19.534	733220.00	4077350.00	2000	0.98
	8-Hour	2.580	732220.00	4078350.00	500	0.52

8A.5.3 Assessment of Compliance with NAAQS and PSD Increments

For PSD purposes, when maximum modeled concentrations for a proposed source exceed the SIL for a given pollutant, cumulative modeling is required to assess compliance with AAQS and any applicable PSD increments for that pollutant (see **Table 8A-26**). When modeled concentrations are less than the SILs, the proposed source's contribution to ambient air quality is insignificant, and the impact of the source is considered to have an inconsequential effect upon compliance with ambient standards and increments for that pollutant. Based upon the results presented in Section 8A.5.1, a cumulative modeling analysis is required for SO₂, NO₂, and PM₁₀. A background inventory was requested and obtained from Nevada, Utah, and Arizona out to 80 km from the project site.

Table 8A-26
Nevada and Federal Ambient Air Quality Standards

Pollutant	Averaging Period ¹	Federal Standards		Nevada Standards µg/m ³
		Primary µg/m ³	Secondary µg/m ³	
SO ₂	Annual	80	--	80
	24-Hour	365	--	365
	3-Hour	--	1,300	1,300
PM ₁₀	Annual	50	50	50
	24-Hour	150	150	150
CO	8-Hour	10,000	--	10,500
	1-Hour	40,000	--	40,500
O ₃	8-Hour	157	157	--
	1-Hour	235	235	235
NO _x	Annual	100	100	100
Lead	3-Month	1.5	--	1.5

¹ Short-term federal ambient standards may be exceeded once per year; however, the Nevada standards may never be exceeded. Annual standards may never be exceeded. O₃ standard is attained when the expected number of days of an exceedance is equal to or less than one.

² No ambient standard for this pollutant and/or averaging period.

The modeling of impacts from the proposed facility for the worst-case operating load as determined in the SIL analysis plus the appropriate background sources was conducted for the same receptors that were used in the SIL modeling analysis (including the Basin receptors described in Section 8A3.5.2).

For the NAAQS analysis, highest second-highest short-term predictions along with highest annual predictions were added to a peak monitored background level (obtained from the site-specific monitoring database) to determine compliance with the NAAQS. For the PSD analysis, highest second-highest short-term predictions along with highest annual predictions were used to determine compliance with the PSD increments.

No additional receptors were required because the results of the PSD and NAAQS analyses for each pollutant or averaging period for which the project had a modeled significant impact was already within 100-m spaced receptors or was less than 75 percent of their respective standard.

8A.5.3.1 Background Source Inventory

In preparation for cumulative modeling, a background source inventory was acquired for sources within a radius of 80 km about the source location for each pollutant. An emissions inventory of SO₂, NO₂, and PM₁₀ for all sources in an 80-km radius around TEP was requested from the appropriate state agencies in Nevada, Arizona, and Utah. Clark County, Nevada regulates air

emissions independently from the state of Nevada, so an additional inventory request was made to Clark County Department of Air Quality and Environmental Management (DAQEM). The agencies and points of contact for each inventory are listed in **Table 8A-27**. The complete inventories are provided in the PSD permit application and in the computer modeling archive.

Table 8A-27
Agencies Contacted for Emissions Inventory Data

State	Agency	Contact
Arizona	Arizona Department of Environmental Quality	Latha Toopal
Nevada	Nevada Division of Environmental Protection	Greg Remer
Nevada	Clark County Department of Air Quality and EM	Vasant Rajagopalan
Utah	Utah Department of Environmental Quality	Deborah Mcmurtrie/Tom Orth

Once all the source data were gathered within 80 km of TEP, a screening procedure was then applied to exclude distant or low emitting sources from the NAAQS inventory that would not result in a predicted concentration gradient at the proposed source location; the impacts from these sources are included in the monitored background. Source emission data provided by Arizona and Utah were representative of actual 2004/2005 emissions. To conservatively estimate the PTE emissions from these state's sources, the 2004/2005 average actual emissions were multiplied by 10 prior to the screening analysis. Sources obtained for Nevada were representative of PTE emissions; therefore no conservative scaling factor was needed.

In addition to the conservative estimate of PTE emissions for Utah and Arizona, all sources from Nevada, Utah, and Arizona were conservatively assumed to be PSD increment.

Sources were screened out based on the following criteria:

1. Sources with distances greater than the SIA plus 50 km from TEP were excluded. Based on the results of the Significant Impact analysis, the SIA for SO₂, NO_x, and PM₁₀ are 8, 2, and 3.2 km respectively. This allowed for source search distances to be limited to the SIA plus 50 km or 58, 52, and 53.2 km respectively for SO₂, NO_x, and PM₁₀.
2. Sources were screened background based on a ratio of their annual emissions (for all facility stacks combined) expressed in tons per year (Q) divided by the distance from the project site in kilometers (D) is at least 0.80 for SO₂ and NO₂ and 0.30 for PM₁₀. This screening procedure is consistent with recommendations previously provided to ENSR for PSD Class I increment inventories by Mr. Don Shepherd of the National Park Service (the screening procedure provided in **Appendix 8A-1**).

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3. Facilities with emissions greater than 5 tpy that would be excluded from modeling due to the Q/D test were included in the modeling anyway to add a measure of conservatism to the analysis.

The screening procedure on the background source data obtained by ENSR only screened out less than 1 percent of the total mass emissions for sources within the SIA plus 50 km. An electronic spreadsheet that details the screening procedure and contains a list of all sources from the gathered inventory before and after the screening procedure is provided with the electronic modeling files. **Tables 8A-28** through **8A-30** contain a list of sources included in the PSD and NAAQS cumulative modeling analyses. **Figure 8A-15** shows the SIA plus 50 km along with the background sources included in the NAAQS and PSD increment modeling.

The cumulative source modeling analysis consisted of both short-term and annual PTE emissions. For the Nevada sources, NDEP and Clark County DAQEM provided both short-term and annual PTE emission rates. For the NO_x and PM₁₀ annual modeling, the source's annual PTE emissions were used as model input. For the PM₁₀ and SO₂ short-term modeling, source's hourly PTE were used as model input.

8A.5.3.2 PSD Increment Cumulative Modeling

PSD increment cumulative modeling for SO₂, NO₂, and PM₁₀ was conducted utilizing the project sources with the main boiler at 100 percent load and the inventory of background sources described in Section 8A5.3.1. Modeling was conducted using the same meteorological data and receptors grids used for the SIL analysis. Due to NDEP concerns about the potential impact of this project in and adjacent hydrographic basins, impacts on PSD increment also were assessed for these areas.

Cumulative PSD increment modeling results are presented in **Tables 8A-31** through **8A-34**. Highest second-highest modeled impacts are reported for the short-term averaging periods and the highest modeled impacts are reported averaging periods greater than 24 hours. Modeled impacts for Virgin River hydrographic basin, where the project is located, are listed in **Table 8A-31**.

Figure 8A-15. SIA and Background Sources Included in the NAAQS and PSD Modeling

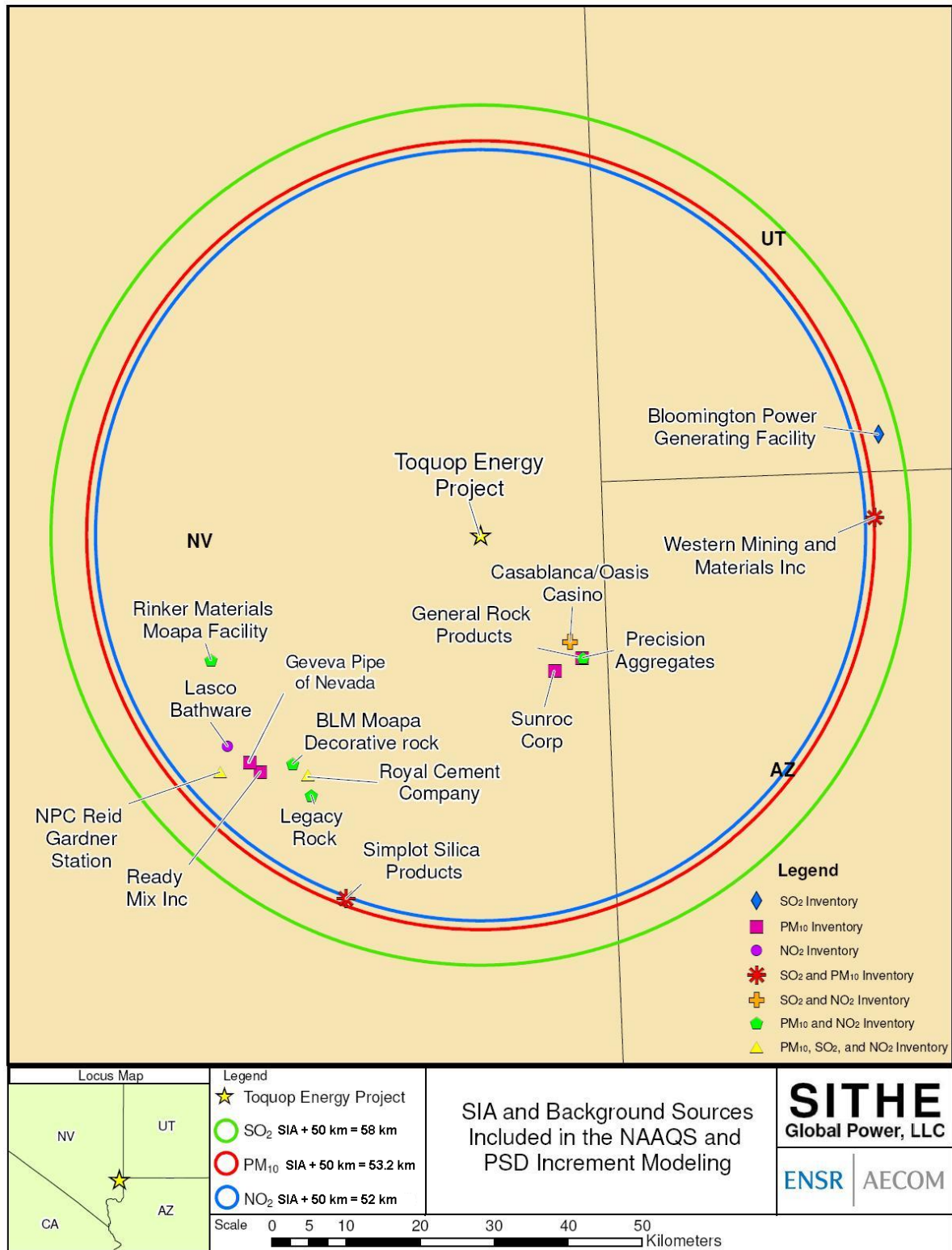


Table 8A-28
Background Sources Included in the SO₂ Cumulative Modeling Analysis

			Location				Source ID	SO ₂ Emissions (g/s)		Point Sources			
			Zone	UTM X	UTM Y	Elev m				Stack Height m	Stack Dia. m	Exit Velocity m/s	Stack Temp K
State	Facility Name	Source											
Point Source													
AZ	Western Mining and Materials	crusher engine	12	265624	4091697	947	101	0.191	0.191	1.83	0.152	9.16	634
AZ	Western Mining and Materials	crusher engine	12	265624	4091697	947	201	0.191	0.191	1.83	0.152	9.47	638
AZ	Western Mining and Materials	GENERATOR	12	265624	4091697	947	230	0.191	0.191	1.52	0.152	11.13	705
AZ	Western Mining and Materials	crusher engine	12	265624	4091697	947	301	0.191	0.191	1.83	0.152	9.47	638
AZ	Western Mining and Materials	GENERATOR	12	265624	4091697	947	330	0.191	0.191	1.22	0.152	15.27	705
NV	Simplot Silica Products	Portable Dryer	11	730405	4044325	377	138_AD	0.933	0.659	15.24	1.52	11.48	389
NV	Royal Cement Company	Rotary Kiln	11	723223	4059114	492	154_I01	8.059	1.84	27.43	3.05	9.06	616
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Teledyne Laars water heater	11	758572	758572	483	622_C05	0.032	0.0317	6.10	0.711	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	GTS Thermal fluid heater	11	759252	759252	485	622_A24	0.024	0.0239	5.49	0.356	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Raypak boiler	11	759252	759252	485	622_A18	0.019	0.0190	5.49	0.559	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Raypak boiler	11	758450	758450	483	622_C	0.030	0.0320	6.10	0.508	2.52	383
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Lochinvar boiler	11	758874	758874	489	622_AA	0.018	0.0184	12.19	0.305	2.52	383
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Teledyne Laars water heater	11	758550	758550	483	622_C17	0.005	0.0055	1.22	0.305	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	AO Smith water heater	11	758811	758811	489	622_AB	0.008	0.0086	1.52	0.305	2.52	455
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Lattner boiler	11	758665	758665	483	622_C04	0.004	0.0043	3.66	0.254	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Lochinvar boiler	11	759208	759208	490	622_AC	0.011	0.0104	3.66	0.076	2.52	428
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Landa pressure washer	11	758663	758663	483	622_C21	0.004	0.0032	3.05	0.152	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Teledyne Laars water heater	11	758911	758911	490	622_A08	0.001	0.0026	3.66	0.203	2.52	455
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Purex water heater	11	759196	759196	489	622_AD	0.005	0.0052	1.22	0.102	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Pentair water heater	11	759018	759018	489	622_A12	0.001	0.0026	4.88	0.254	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Teledyne Laars water heater	11	759187	759187	488	622_AE	0.006	0.0055	6.10	0.203	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Teledyne Laars water heater	11	758550	758550	483	622_AF	0.003	0.0029	0.914	0.305	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	AO Smith water heater	11	758766	758766	489	622_AG	0.003	0.0023	12.19	0.254	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	American heater	11	758917	758917	486	622_AH	0.006	0.006	12.19	0.203	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	AO Smith water heater	11	758653	758653	483	622_C06	0.001	0.0012	3.66	0.203	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	AO Smith water heater	11	758619	758619	483	622_C07	0.001	0.0012	3.66	0.203	2.52	433

Table 8A-28
Background Sources Included in the SO₂ Cumulative Modeling Analysis

			Location				Source ID	SO ₂ Emissions (g/s)		Point Sources			
			Zone	UTM X	UTM Y	Elev m				Stack Height m	Stack Dia. m	Exit Velocity m/s	Stack Temp K
State	Facility Name	Source						Hourly	Annual				
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	AO Smith water heater	11	758594	758594	483	622_C08	0.001	0.0012	3.66	0.203	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	AO Smith water heater	11	758619	758619	483	622_C09	0.001	0.0012	3.66	0.203	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	AO Smith water heater	11	758515	758515	482	622_AI	0.003	0.0023	4.57	0.203	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	AO Smith water heater	11	758588	758588	483	622_AJ	0.004	0.0035	6.10	0.203	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	AO Smith water heater	11	758572	758572	483	622_AK	0.003	0.0023	6.10	0.711	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Teledyne Laars water heater	11	758550	758550	483	622_C20	0.001	0.0012	0.914	0.305	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	American heater	11	759018	759018	489	622_AL	0.003	0.0012	4.57	0.152	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Caterpillar generator	11	758887	758887	489	622_B01	0.111	0.0006	4.57	0.305	50.29	789
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Pentair water heater	11	758951	758951	490	622_A09	0.001	0.0003	3.66	0.203	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Onan Generator	11	758804	758804	489	622_B02	0.016	0.0003	4.57	0.203	66.45	755
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Onan Generator	11	758956	758956	486	622_B03	0.008	0.0003	3.05	0.076	19.20	750
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Cummins fire pump	11	758956	758956	486	622_B04	0.010	0.0003	5.49	0.076	98.63	708
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Caterpillar generator	11	758692	758692	483	622_D01	0.055	0.0003	4.57	0.203	89.00	753
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Caterpillar fire pump	11	758450	758450	483	622_D02	0.011	0.0003	3.05	0.152	51.21	783
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Unit #4 Steam Boiler	11	711632	711632	482	RGS_B04	108.102	108	152	6.40	17.07	336
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Unit #3 Steam Boiler	11	711548	711548	484	RGS_B03	85.806	85.8	82.30	3.93	20.42	336
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Unit #1 Steam Boiler	11	711546	711546	485	RGS_B01	84.280	84.3	60.96	4.05	17.07	336
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Unit #2 Steam Boiler	11	711548	711548	485	RGS_B02	84.280	84.3	73.15	4.05	16.92	336
UT	Bloomington Power	diesel engine	12	266771	266771	753	BLM	NA	0.0417	0.000	0.000	0.000	0
Volume Sources										Release Height	Horz.	Vert.	
										m	m	m	
NV	Simplot Silica Products	Pit Area	11	726706	4039754	549	138_Ap_A	1.367	0.0783	4.57	279.07	4.25	
NV	Simplot Silica Products	Dry Area	11	730222	4044204	381	138_Ap_B	0.121	0.0207	7.32	135	6.8	

Table 8A-29
Background Sources Included in the NO₂ Cumulative Modeling Analysis

			Location				Source ID	NO _x Emissions (g/s)	Point Sources			
			Zone	UTM X	UTM Y	Elev m			Stack Height	Stack Dia.	Exit Velocity	Stack Temp
State	Facility Name	Source						m	m	m/s	K	
Point Sources												
NV	Royal Cement Company	Rotary Kiln	11	723223	4059114	492	154_I01	13.8	27.43	3.05	9.06	616
NV	Rinker Materials Moapa Facility	5 Generators	11	710275	4074513	520	585_GEN	1.35	5.49	0.305	44.50	728
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Teledyne Laars water heater	11	758572	4076751	483	622_C05	0.0884	6.10	0.711	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	GTS Thermal fluid heater	11	759252	4076955	485	622_A24	0.0671	5.49	0.356	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Raypak boiler	11	759252	4076955	485	622_A18	0.0530	5.49	0.559	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Caterpillar generator	11	758887	4077101	489	622_B01	0.0389	4.57	0.305	50.29	789
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Raypak boiler	11	758450	4076764	483	622_C	0.0890	6.10	0.508	2.52	383
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Lochinvar boiler	11	758874	4077113	489	622_A	0.0507	12.19	0.305	2.52	383
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Caterpillar generator	11	758692	4076752	483	622_D01	0.0199	4.57	0.203	89.00	753
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Teledyne Laars water heater	11	758550	4076701	483	622_C17	0.0150	1.22	0.305	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Lattner boiler	11	758665	4076790	483	622_C04	0.0121	3.66	0.254	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	AO Smith water heater	11	758811	4077109	489	622_A2	0.0236	1.52	0.305	2.52	455
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Lochinvar boiler	11	759208	4077334	490	622_A3	0.0285	3.66	0.076	2.52	428
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Landa pressure washer	11	758663	4076793	483	622_C21	0.0089	3.05	0.152	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Onan Generator	11	758804	4077105	489	622_B02	0.0083	4.57	0.203	66.45	755
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Teledyne Laars water heater	11	758911	4077157	490	622_A08	0.0072	3.66	0.203	2.52	455
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Purex water heater	11	759196	4077306	489	622_A4	0.0144	1.22	0.102	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Pentair water heater	11	759018	4077197	489	622_A12	0.0072	4.88	0.254	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Teledyne Laars water heater	11	759187	4077218	488	622_A13	0.0072	6.10	0.203	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Cummins fire pump	11	758956	4076959	486	622_B04	0.0069	5.49	0.076	98.63	708
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Caterpillar fire pump	11	758450	4076759	483	622_D02	0.0055	3.05	0.152	51.21	783
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Teledyne Laars water heater	11	759187	4077218	488	622_A5	0.0086	6.10	0.203	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Teledyne Laars water heater	11	758550	4076701	483	622_C5	0.0086	0.914	0.305	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Onan Generator	11	758956	4076964	486	622_B03	0.0037	3.05	0.076	19.20	750
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	AO Smith water heater	11	758766	4077087	489	622_A6	0.0069	12.19	0.254	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	American heater	11	758917	4076867	486	622_A7	0.0173	12.19	0.203	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	AO Smith water heater	11	758653	4076725	483	622_C06	0.0035	3.66	0.203	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	AO Smith water heater	11	758619	4076702	483	622_C07	0.0035	3.66	0.203	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	AO Smith water heater	11	758594	4076716	483	622_C08	0.0035	3.66	0.203	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	AO Smith water heater	11	758619	4076733	483	622_C09	0.0035	3.66	0.203	2.52	433

Table 8A-29
Background Sources Included in the NO₂ Cumulative Modeling Analysis

State	Facility Name	Source	Location				Source ID	NO _x Emissions (g/s) Annual	Point Sources			
			Zone	UTM X	UTM Y	Elev m			Stack Height m	Stack Dia. m	Exit Velocity m/s	Stack Temp K
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	AO Smith water heater	11	758515	4076718	482	622_c2	0.0069	4.57	0.203	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	AO Smith water heater	11	758588	4076707	483	622_C3	0.0104	6.10	0.203	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	AO Smith water heater	11	758572	4076751	483	622_C4	0.0069	6.10	0.711	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Teledyne Laars water heater	11	758550	4076701	483	622_C20	0.0032	0.914	0.305	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	Pentair water heater	11	758951	4077176	490	622_A09	0.0014	3.66	0.203	2.52	433
NV	Casablanca/Oasis Casino	American heater	11	759018	4077197	489	622_A8	0.0023	4.57	0.152	2.52	433
NV	Precision Aggregates	CAT Diesel Generator	11	760355	4074845	511	15694_D01	0.5151	4.57	0.204	85.95	755
NV	Precision Aggregates	Olympian Generator	11	760542	4074854	513	15694_D02	0.1134	3.05	0.152	51.21	755
NV	Precision Aggregates	Olympian Generator	11	760698	4074862	515	15694_D03	0.1134	3.05	0.152	51.21	755
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Unit #4 Steam Boiler	11	711632	4059303	482	RGS_B04	186	152	6.40	17.07	336
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Unit #3 Steam Boiler	11	711548	4059436	484	RGS_B03	71.8	82.30	3.93	20.42	336
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Unit #1 Steam Boiler	11	711546	4059511	485	RGS_B01	70.5	60.96	4.05	17.07	336
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Unit #2 Steam Boiler	11	711548	4059480	485	RGS_B02	70.5	73.15	4.05	16.92	336
NV	Lasco Bathware	Airex RTO	11	712503	4062860	521	75_A42	0.0737	11.89	0.914	22.91	380
NV	Lasco Bathware	Air Heater - Line 1	11	712508	4062860	521	75_A02	0.0305	6.10	0.559	20.50	305
NV	Lasco Bathware	Air Heater - Line 2	11	712555	4062861	521	75_A10	0.0305	6.10	0.559	20.50	305
NV	Lasco Bathware	Air Heater - Line 1	11	712509	4062823	521	75_A06	0.0233	6.10	0.457	20.50	305
NV	Lasco Bathware	Air Heater - Line 2	11	712556	4062823	521	75_A12	0.0233	6.10	0.457	20.50	305
NV	Legacy Rock	Cummins Engine	11	723827	4056265	446	1591_B02	0.0222	3.66	0.152	66.14	689
NV	Legacy Rock	Deutz Engine	11	723834	4056265	445	1591_B04	0.0222	3.66	0.076	66.14	766
NV	Legacy Rock	Deutz Engine	11	723841	4056265	443	1591_B05	0.0222	3.66	0.076	66.14	766
NV	Legacy Rock	Deutz Engine	11	723847	4056265	443	1591_B06	0.0222	3.66	0.076	66.14	766
NV	BLM Moapa Decorative rock pit	Duetz Diesel engine	11	721341	4060524	550	15420_B	0.1443	3.05	0.152	19.20	750

Table 8A-30
Background Sources Included in the PM₁₀ Cumulative Modeling Analysis

			Location				Source ID	PM ₁₀ Emissions g/s		Point Sources			
			Zone	UTM X	UTM Y	Elev m		Stack Height m	Stack Dia. m	Exit Velocity m/s	Stack Temp K		
State	Facility Name	Source											
Point Sources													
AZ	Western Mining and Materials	crusher engine	12	265624	4091697	947	101	1.381	1.381	1.83	0.15	9.16	633.7
AZ	Western Mining and Materials	crusher engine	12	265624	4091697	947	201	1.381	1.381	1.83	0.15	9.47	637.6
AZ	Western Mining and Materials	GENERATOR	12	265624	4091697	947	230	1.381	1.381	1.52	0.15	11.13	705.4
AZ	Western Mining and Materials	crusher engine	12	265624	4091697	947	301	1.381	1.381	1.83	0.15	9.47	637.6
AZ	Western Mining and Materials	GENERATOR	12	265624	4091697	947	330	1.381	1.381	1.22	0.15	15.27	705.4
NV	Simplot Silica Products	Coal fired sand dryer	11	730379	4044325	379	138_01	1.526	1.085	15.24	388.70	11.48	1.5
NV	Simplot Silica Products	Portable Dryer	11	730405	4044315	377	138_21	1.387	0.238	15.24	388.70	11.48	1.5
NV	Royal Cement Company	Hammer mill baghouse	11	723190	4059132	496	154_A	9.905	0.552	3.05	1.89	2.25	310.9
NV	Royal Cement Company	Kiln Feed baghouse	11	723263	4059104	491	154_C	0.034	0.027	22.86	0.76	9.42	366.5
NV	Royal Cement Company	Raw mill baghouse	11	723293	4059117	488	154_D	0.306	0.212	15.24	1.15	9.12	366.5
NV	Royal Cement Company	Clinker Cooling baghouse	11	723383	4059012	482	154_F	0.404	0.403	10.70	1.37	12.74	477.6
NV	Royal Cement Company	Finish mill baghouse	11	723404	4059032	482	154_G	0.202	0.139	15.24	0.76	14.28	366.5
NV	Royal Cement Company	Rotary Kiln	11	723223	4059114	492	154_I01	0.934	0.935	27.43	3.05	9.06	616.5
NV	Sunroc Corp Bunkerville Ready Mix	Generator	11	756732	4073128	473	253_D01	NA	0.001	3.66	0.20	67.06	751.5
NV	Rinker Materials Moapa Facility	5 Generators	11	710275	4074513	520	585_GEN	0.114	0.051	5.49	0.30	44.50	727.6
NV	Legacy Rock	Deutz Engine	11	723836	4056271	444	1591_B	0.066	0.007	3.66	0.15	66.14	688.7
NV	BLM Moapa Decorative rock pit	Caterpillar diesel engine	11	721341	4060524	550	15420_B	0.107	0.011	3.05	0.15	19.20	749.8
NV	General Rock Products	John Deere Generator	11	760419	4074769	509	15684_D	0.078	0.006	3.05	0.06	66.14	766.5
NV	Precision Aggregates	CAT Diesel Generator	11	760355	4074845	511	15694_D01	0.231	0.037	4.57	0.20	85.95	755.4
NV	Precision Aggregates	Olympian Generator	11	760542	4074854	513	15694_D02	0.050	0.008	3.05	0.15	51.21	755.4
NV	Precision Aggregates	Olympian Generator	11	760698	4074862	515	15694_D03	0.050	0.008	3.05	0.15	51.21	755.4
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Unit #1 Steam Boiler	11	711546	4059511	485	RGS_B01	30.645	30.644	60.96	4.05	17.07	335.9
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Unit #2 Steam Boiler	11	711548	4059480	485	RGS_B02	30.645	30.644	73.15	4.05	16.92	335.9
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Unit #3 Steam Boiler	11	711548	4059436	484	RGS_B03	15.600	15.600	82.30	3.93	20.42	335.9
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Unit #4 Steam Boiler	11	711632	4059303	482	RGS_B04	11.186	11.183	152.40	6.40	17.07	335.9

Table 8A-30
Background Sources Included in the PM₁₀ Cumulative Modeling Analysis

			Location				Source ID	PM ₁₀ Emissions g/s		Point Sources			
			Zone	UTM X	UTM Y	Elev m		Stack Height	Stack Dia.	Exit Velocity	Stack Temp		
State	Facility Name	Source										Hourly	Annual
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Cooling tower Unit 1 - Cell 1-6	11	711467	4059630	488	RGS_CT1	6.621	6.620	13.40	8.50	8.50	316.5
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Cooling tower Unit 2 - Cell 1-5	11	711393	4059625	488	RGS_CT2	6.369	6.366	13.40	8.50	8.50	316.5
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Cooling tower Unit 3 - Cell 1-4	11	711326	4059634	488	RGS_CT3	6.369	6.366	13.40	8.50	8.50	316.5
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Cooling tower Unit 4 - Cell 1-8	11	711577	4059141	480	RGS_CT4	13.317	13.319	13.40	8.50	8.50	316.5
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Unit #1-3 Coal Dust Silos	11	711469	4059456	485	RGS_C01	0.025	0.001	10.00	1.01	0.0001	295.4
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Unit #4 Coal Dust Silos	11	711488	4059284	482	RGS_C02	0.025	0.001	10.00	1.01	0.001	295.4
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Crushing and Screening Station	11	711691	4059531	486	RGS_C03	0.542	0.006	10.00	1.01	0.001	295.4
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Unit #1-3 Fly Ash Silo	11	711554	4059439	484	RGS_C04	0.076	0.127	10.00	1.01	0.001	295.4
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Coal Unloading Station	11	711773	4059527	487	RGS_C05	4.679	1.457	10.00	1.01	0.001	295.4
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Coal Conveyor System to Unit 4	11	711598	4059191	480	RGS_C06	0.025	0.001	10.00	1.01	0.001	295.4
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Unit #1-3 Back-up Fly Ash Silo	11	711554	4059433	484	RGS_C07	0.063	0.052	10.00	1.01	0.001	295.4
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Fly Ash Disposal Site	11	710616	4058108	519	RGS_C08	2.585	0.910	10.00	1.01	0.001	295.4
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Unit #4 Fly Ash Silo	11	711564	4059259	481	RGS_C09	0.038	0.049	10.00	1.01	0.001	295.4
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Unit #1-3 Soda ash slurry tank	11	711620	4059440	483	RGS_W01	0.016	0.016	9.50	10.40	0.001	293.2
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Unit #4 FGD Soda ash slurry tank	11	711620	4059440	483	RGS_W02	0.014	0.014	12.20	12.20	0.001	293.2
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Unit #4 WT Lime Silo	11	711620	4059440	483	RGS_W03	0.001	0.001	7.60	3.70	0.001	293.2
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Unit #4 WT Soda ash silo	11	711620	4059440	483	RGS_W04	0.003	0.002	6.10	3.70	0.001	293.2
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	FGD Back-up quicklime storage	11	711620	4059440	483	RGS_W05	0.000	0.000	10.00	1.01	0.001	295.4
NV	NPC Reid Gardner Station	Unit #4 FGD Lime storage silo	11	711620	4059440	483	RGS_W06	0.003	0.001	5.80	3.70	0.001	293.2
Volume Sources										Release Height	Horz.	Vert.	
										m	m	m	
NV	Simplot Silica Products	Storage Silos	11	730306	4044308	379	138_13	0.005	0.003	4.57	4.65	4.25	
NV	Simplot Silica Products	Mining Area	11	726706	4039754	549	138_14	0.520	0.357	4.57	279.07	4.25	
NV	Simplot Silica Products	Production Area	11	730330	4044304	378	138_15	0.182	0.097	6.10	85.00	5.67	
NV	Simplot Silica Products	Pit Area	11	726706	4039754	549	138_16	0.178	0.028	4.57	279.07	4.25	
NV	Simplot Silica Products	Dry Area	11	730222	4044204	381	138_17	0.446	0.066	7.32	135.00	6.80	
NV	Simplot Silica Products	Florence	11	726572	4039945	540	138_18	1.502	0.002	4.57	28.35	4.25	

Table 8A-30
Background Sources Included in the PM₁₀ Cumulative Modeling Analysis

			Location				Source ID	PM ₁₀ Emissions g/s		Point Sources			
			Zone	UTM X	UTM Y	Elev m		Hourly	Annual	Stack Height m	Stack Dia. m	Exit Velocity m/s	Stack Temp K
State	Facility Name	Source											
NV	Simplot Silica Products	Conveyor Extension	11	726662	4039840	541	138_19	0.001	0.002	4.57	85.06	4.25	
NV	Simplot Silica Products	Pit Blasting	11	726833	4039722	505	138_20	1.502	0.002	4.57	28.35	4.25	
NV	Royal Cement Company	Fugitives	11	723323	4059083	487	154_rest	4.345	0.752	5.00	58.14	4.70	
NV	Sunroc Corp Bunkerville Ready Mix	Crushing/Screening/Batching	11	756756	4073070	474	253_ABC	NA	0.125	5.00	75.00	4.70	
NV	Rinker Materials Moapa Facility	Aggregate Processing	11	710275	4074513	520	585_AGG	1.388	0.559	5.00	100.00	4.65	
NV	Ready Mix Inc		11	716985	4059448	480	736ALL	3.994	0.721	10.00	185.00	9.30	
NV	Geneva Pipe of Nevada		11	715524	4060744	471	GPN	NA	0.146	5.00	10.00	10.00	
NV	Legacy Rock	Aggregate processing	11	723836	4056271	444	1591_A1to7	1.135	0.110	5.00	50.00	4.70	
NV	BLM Moapa Decorative rock pit	Mining Processing	11	721341	4060524	550	15420A1to11	1.825	0.195	5.00	50.00	4.70	
NV	General Rock Products	Aggregate processing	11	760419	4074769	509	15684_ABC	0.511	0.161	6.00	50.00	5.60	
NV	Precision Aggregates	Aggregate processing	11	760352	4074848	511	15694_ABC1	1.629	0.142	6.00	100.00	5.60	
NV	Precision Aggregates	Aggregate processing	11	760697	4074863	515	15694_ABC2	1.629	0.142	6.00	100.00	5.60	
Area Sources										Release Height	East	North	Angle from North
NV	Simplot Silica Products	ROAD1	11	730359	4044331	378	138_02	0.125	0.023	m	m	m	
NV	Simplot Silica Products	ROAD2	11	730190	4044031	387	138_03	0.218	0.041	2.00	9.00	344.42	210.0
NV	Simplot Silica Products	ROAD3	11	730252	4043438	382	138_04	0.317	0.059	2.00	9.00	596.07	174.0
NV	Simplot Silica Products	ROAD4	11	729392	4043312	392	138_05	0.284	0.053	2.00	9.00	869.58	261.0
NV	Simplot Silica Products	ROAD5	11	728727	4042927	403	138_06	0.148	0.027	2.00	9.00	768.33	240.0
NV	Simplot Silica Products	ROAD6	11	728456	4042640	409	138_07	0.436	0.081	2.00	9.00	394.72	222.0
NV	Simplot Silica Products	ROAD7	11	728042	4041527	419	138_08	0.382	0.071	2.00	9.00	1190.32	200.0
NV	Simplot Silica Products	ROAD8	11	727178	4040950	451	138_09	0.141	0.027	2.00	9.00	1037.07	236.0
NV	Simplot Silica Products	ROAD9	11	726800	4040844	453	138_10	0.344	0.064	2.00	9.00	392.80	252.0
NV	Simplot Silica Products	ROAD10	11	727213	4040008	475	138_11	0.049	0.009	2.00	9.00	931.65	153.0
NV	Simplot Silica Products	ROAD11	11	727203	4039876	479	138_12	0.164	0.030	2.00	9.00	133.55	181.0

Table 8A-31
PSD Increment Cumulative Modeling Analysis – Main Receptor Grid

Pollutant	Averaging Period	Modeled Impact ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	Location (UTM Zone 11 NAD 83)		Distance (m)	Bearing	PSD Class II Increment ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	Percent of Increment (%)
			Easting (m)	Northing (m)				
SO ₂	3-Hour ¹	48.44	726720.00	4071350.00	28284.27	225	512	9.46
	24-Hour ¹	7.01	726720.00	4073350.00	26907.25	228	91	7.71
PM ₁₀	24-Hour ^{1,3}	36.80 (28.99)	760720.00	4075350.00	21260.29	139	30	122.68
	24-Hour ^{1,4}	19.77	747765.94	4090971.25	1112.40	110	30	65.91
	Annual ²	4.51	747353.25	4090749.00	873.04	134	17	26.54
NO ₂	Annual ²	6.74	746575.88	4090722.50	643.84	193	25	26.97

¹ Modeled impact reflects the highest second-highest concentration.

² Modeled impact reflects the highest concentration.

³ Result reflects the total impact from all background sources and TEP project sources. The value in parentheses is the result obtained by Clark County for impacts assessed from the Precision Aggregates facility alone.

⁴ Result reflects the highest-second-highest concentrations from all background sources and TEP project sources where TEP has a significant impact.

Table 8A-32
PSD Increment Cumulative Modeling Analysis – Lower Meadow Valley Wash Basin

Pollutant	Averaging Period	Modeled Impact ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	Location (UTM Zone 11 NAD 83)		Distance (m)	Bearing	PSD Class II Increment ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	Percent of Increment (%)
			Easting (m)	Northing (m)				
SO ₂	3-Hour ¹	8.56	727720.00	4086350.00	19646.88	255	512	1.67
	24-Hour ¹	2.08	727220.00	4087850.00	19811.61	260	91	2.28
PM ₁₀	24-Hour ¹	1.15	727220.00	4087850.00	19811.61	260	30	3.82
	Annual ²	0.19	727720.00	4086350.00	19646.88	255	17	1.09
NO ₂	Annual ²	0.56	727720.00	4086350.00	19646.88	255	25	2.24

¹ Modeled impact reflects the highest second-highest concentration.

² Modeled impact reflects the highest concentration.

Table 8A-33
PSD Increment Cumulative Modeling Analysis – Tule Desert Basin

Pollutant	Averaging Period	Modeled Impact ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	Location (UTM Zone 11 NAD 83)		Distance (m)	Bearing	PSD Class II Increment ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	Percent of Increment (%)
			Easting (m)	Northing (m)				
SO ₂	3-Hour ¹	10.90	740220.00	4097350.00	8845.90	313	512	2.13
	24-Hour ¹	2.66	734720.00	4106350.00	19209.37	321	91	2.93
PM ₁₀	24-Hour ¹	1.01	738720.00	4098350.00	10630.15	311	30	3.36
	Annual ²	0.24	739720.00	4099850.00	11011.36	321	17	1.41
NO ₂	Annual ²	0.70	739720.00	4099850.00	11011.36	321	25	2.80

¹ Modeled impact reflects the highest second-highest concentration.

² Modeled impact reflects the highest concentration.

Table 8A-34
PSD Increment Cumulative Modeling Analysis – Lower Moapa Basin

Pollutant	Averaging Period	Modeled Impact ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	Location (UTM Zone 11 NAD 83)		Distance (m)	Bearing	PSD Class II Increment ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	Percent of Increment (%)
			Easting (m)	Northing (m)				
SO ₂	3-Hour ¹	26.90	733720.00	4076350.00	19849.43	221	512	5.25
	24-Hour ¹	3.95	731220.00	4078850.00	19912.31	231	91	4.34
PM ₁₀	24-Hour ¹	1.77	733720.00	4076350.00	19849.43	221	30	5.91
	Annual ²	0.29	731220.00	4078850.00	19912.31	231	17	1.71
NO ₂	Annual ²	0.90	731220.00	4078850.00	19912.31	231	25	3.61

¹ Modeled impact reflects the highest second-highest concentration.

² Modeled impact reflects the highest concentration.

The results presented in **Tables 8A-31** through **8A-34** show that the emissions from the proposed project plus those from other PSD increment-consuming sources will not exceed any PSD increment (or even two-thirds of the full increment) with the exception of PM₁₀ 24-hour. The PM₁₀ 24-hour modeled impact of 36.803 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ shows an exceedance of the available PSD increment. However further investigation of this impact reveals that this is the only receptor that is predicted to exceed the PSD increment. The highest modeled impact at this receptor from the TEP project sources is 0.26 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$, well below the PM₁₀ 24-hour significance level of 5 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$. Therefore, the majority of this impact is due to the background sources.

Further investigation of this predicted PSD increment exceedance showed that a majority of this contribution is from Precision Aggregates, a minor source located at the edge of the receptor grid near Mesquite, Clark County, Nevada. Clark County DAQEM confirmed that this source was first permitted in January 2006, after the PM₁₀ minor source baseline date for the Virgin Valley air shed was triggered (on December 19, 2001; see http://www.westar.org/Committees/TDocs/AQCR%20maps/PM10_02Dec04.pdf). As part of the minor source permit, a site-specific PM₁₀ PSD increment modeling demonstration was conducted by the Clark County DAQEM for Precision Aggregates that shows the source is in compliance with the 24-hour PM₁₀ PSD increment (see **Appendix 8A-4**), even with total source PM₁₀ emissions that are consistent with those modeled for the TEP cumulative analysis. The reasons for the differing modeling results between the Toquop analysis and the Clark County analysis are as follows:

- The Clark County analysis used a 5-year meteorological database specifically selected for the Precision Aggregates source, rather than another site-specific database geared towards predicting impacts at the TEP proposed project site.

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- The Clark County modeling also accounted for more detailed emission source placement, in addition to a specific exclusion of ambient air within the source's fence line.

Appendix 8A-4 includes the minor source permit for Precision Aggregates as received from Clark County DAQEM, which documents the compliance with the PM₁₀ PSD increments.

Aside from the receptor discussed above, the second highest PM₁₀ 24-hour impact for which the TEP project has a significant contribution is 19.77 µg/m³. Therefore, the proposed TEP project is in compliance with the applicable PSD increments, and no additional modeling is required.

8A.5.3.3 NAAQS Cumulative Modeling

NAAQS cumulative modeling for SO₂, NO₂, and PM₁₀ was conducted utilizing the project sources with the main boiler at 100 percent load and the inventory of background sources described in Section 8A5.3.1. Modeling was conducted using the same meteorological data and receptors grids used for the SIL analysis. Due to NDEP concerns about the potential impact of this project in and adjacent hydrographic basins, impacts on NAAQS compliance also were assessed for these areas.

NAAQS cumulative modeling results for the proposed project are presented in **Tables 8A-35** through **8A-38**. Highest second-highest modeled impacts are reported for the short-term averaging periods and the highest modeled impacts are reported averaging periods greater than 24 hours. The summary tables provide the maximum modeled impacts in addition to the total impact, which includes the ambient background concentration to account for distant and/or small sources that were not explicitly modeled. Modeled impacts for Virgin River hydrographic basin, where the project is located, are shown in **Table 8A-35**.

The results presented in **Tables 8A-35** through **8A-38** show that the emissions from the proposed project, plus those from other nearby sources plus regional background will not exceed any NAAQS by a wide margin (or even half of the NAAQS), and are therefore in compliance with the applicable ambient air quality standards, thus no additional modeling is required.

Table 8A-35
NAAQS Cumulative Modeling Analysis – Main Receptor Grid

Pollutant	Averaging Period	Modeled Impact (µg/m ³)	Ambient Background (µg/m ³)	Total Impact (µg/m ³)	Location (UTM Zone 11 NAD 83)		Distance (m)	Bearing	NAAQS (µg/m ³)	Percent NAAQS
					Easting (m)	Northing (m)				
SO ₂	3-Hour ¹	48.44	28.0	76.44	726720.00	4071350.00	28284.27	225	1300	5.88
	24-Hour ¹	7.01	19.1	26.11	726720.00	4073350.00	26907.25	228	365	7.15
PM ₁₀	24-Hour ¹	36.80	41.0	77.80	760720.00	4075350.00	21260.29	139	150	51.87
	Annual ²	4.51	8.8	13.31	747353.25	4090749.00	873.04	134	50	26.62
NO ₂	Annual ²	6.74	7.0	13.74	746575.88	4090722.50	643.84	193	100	13.74

¹ Modeled impact reflects the highest second-highest concentration.

² Modeled impact reflects the highest concentration.

Table 8A-36
NAAQS Cumulative Modeling Analysis – Lower Meadow Valley Wash Basin

Pollutant	Averaging Period	Modeled Impact (µg/m ³)	Ambient Background (µg/m ³)	Total Impact (µg/m ³)	Location (UTM Zone 11 NAD 83)		Distance (m)	Bearing	NAAQS (µg/m ³)	Percent NAAQS
					Easting (m)	Northing (m)				
SO ₂	3-Hour ¹	8.56	28.0	36.56	727720.00	4086350.00	19646.88	255	1300	2.81
	24-Hour ¹	2.08	19.1	21.18	727220.00	4087850.00	19811.61	260	365	5.80
PM ₁₀	24-Hour ¹	1.15	41.0	42.15	727220.00	4087850.00	19811.61	260	150	28.10
	Annual ²	0.19	8.8	8.99	727720.00	4086350.00	19646.88	255	50	17.97
NO ₂	Annual ²	0.56	7.0	7.56	727720.00	4086350.00	19646.88	255	100	7.56

¹ Modeled impact reflects the highest second-highest concentration.

² Modeled impact reflects the highest concentration.

Table 8A-37
NAAQS Cumulative Modeling Analysis – Tule Desert Basin

Pollutant	Averaging Period	Modeled Impact (µg/m ³)	Ambient Background (µg/m ³)	Total Impact (µg/m ³)	Location (UTM Zone 11 NAD 83)		Distance (m)	Bearing	NAAQS (µg/m ³)	Percent NAAQS
					Easting (m)	Northing (m)				
SO ₂	3-Hour ¹	10.90	28.0	38.90	740220.00	4097350.00	8845.90	313	1300	2.99
	24-Hour ¹	2.66	19.1	21.76	734720.00	4106350.00	19209.37	321	365	5.96
PM ₁₀	24-Hour ¹	1.01	41.0	42.01	738720.00	4098350.00	10630.15	311	150	28.01
	Annual ²	0.24	8.8	9.04	739720.00	4099850.00	11011.36	321	50	18.08
NO ₂	Annual ²	0.70	7.0	7.70	739720.00	4099850.00	11011.36	321	100	7.70

¹ Modeled impact reflects the highest second-highest concentration.

² Modeled impact reflects the highest concentration.

Table 8A-38
NAAQS Cumulative Modeling Analysis – Lower Moapa Basin

Pollutant	Averaging Period	Modeled Impact ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	Ambient Background ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	Total Impact ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	Location (UTM Zone 11 NAD 83)		Distance (m)	Bearing	NAAQS ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	Percent NAAQS
					Easting (m)	Northing (m)				
SO ₂	3-Hour ¹	26.90	28.0	54.90	733720.00	4076350.00	19849.43	221	1300	4.22
	24-Hour ¹	3.95	19.1	23.05	731220.00	4078850.00	19912.31	231	365	6.31
PM ₁₀	24-Hour ¹	1.77	41.0	42.77	733720.00	4076350.00	19849.43	221	150	28.52
	Annual ²	0.29	8.8	9.09	731220.00	4078850.00	19912.31	231	50	18.18
NO ₂	Annual ²	0.90	7.0	7.90	731220.00	4078850.00	19912.31	231	100	7.90

¹ Modeled impact reflects the highest second-highest concentration.

² Modeled impact reflects the highest concentration.

8A.5.4 Other Air Quality Impacts

8A.5.4.1 Start-up Emissions

During start-up, the boilers will fire diesel fuel rather than coal, and the plant emissions averaged over the startup period will be lower than both the 40 and 100 percent load operational emissions, which have been separately analyzed. Therefore, no further analysis of start-up emissions was conducted.

8A.5.4.2 Associated Growth Analysis

A growth analysis examines the potential emissions from secondary sources associated with the proposed project. While these activities are not directly involved in project operation, the emissions can reasonably be expected to occur; for instance, industrial, commercial, and residential growth that will occur in the general area due to the TEP. Secondary emissions do not include any emissions which come directly from a mobile source, such as emissions from the tailpipe of any on-road motor vehicle or the propulsion of a train (USEPA 1990). They also do not include sources that do not impact the same general area as the source under review. Due to the fact that the project site is not adjacent to a labor force that would serve the plant or any facilities that would support a town, the emissions due to any residential growth will not impact the project area and will not be included in the growth analysis. The construction period will feature a transient work force that does not contribute substantially to long-term growth. The workforce for both construction and operation of the plant will be within commuting distance of the plant, but the air quality impacts will be distant from the TEP and spread out over a large area.

For the proposed facility, secondary emissions will be associated with construction activities. As mentioned above, the only non-temporary emissions (greater than 24 months in duration) associated with construction activities are for a concrete batch plant, which will not be present during normal plant operations. Since the emissions from normal plant operations will exceed those from the concrete batch plant, no further analysis of secondary impacts from associated growth is needed for this project.

8A.5.4.3 Soils and Vegetation Impacts

PSD regulations require an analysis of air quality impacts on sensitive vegetation types, with significant commercial or recreational value, and sensitive types of soil. The TEP is located in an area consisting primarily of desert shrubland and open range. Affected vegetation consists primarily of sagebrush, mixed shrub, and grasses (Bureau of Land Management 2003). Soils in the vicinity of the plant are composed of alluvial sediments, which are relatively deep and well drained. The predicted impacts attributable to the proposed project are listed against the screening levels presented in *A Screening Procedure for the Impacts of Air Pollution Sources on Plants, Soils, and Animals* (USEPA 1980); see **Table 8A-39**. The results show that the TEP impacts are less than 15 percent of each screening concentration value. Therefore, the project will not have an adverse impact on local soils and vegetation.

Table 8A-39
Screening Concentrations for Soils and Vegetation

Pollutant	Averaging Period	Screening Concentration ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	Predicted Concentration ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)
SO ₂	1-Hour	917	94.66
	3-Hour	786	50.89
	Annual	18	0.31
NO ₂	4-Hour ¹	3,760	485.35
	1-Month ²	564	52.51
	Annual	94	6.30
CO	Weekly ³	1,800,000	216.57

Source: "A Screening Procedure for the Impacts of Air Pollution Sources on Plants, Soils, and Animals". EPA 450/2-81-078, December 1980

¹ 3-hour averaging time conservatively used for prediction.

² 24-hour averaging time conservatively used for prediction.

³ 8-hour averaging period conservatively used for prediction.

Most of the designated vegetation screening levels are equivalent to or less stringent than the AAQS and/or PSD increments; therefore, compliance with the AAQS and PSD increments assures compliance with sensitive vegetation screening levels.

8A.5.4.4 Ozone Analysis

Since projected volatile organic compound emissions for this project are above 25 tons/year, ambient ozone was modeled using the Scheffe model for screening purposes. The screening level analysis was conducted to evaluate the upper-limit incremental effect of emissions from the proposed facility on ambient ozone concentrations. The analysis followed the “VOC/NO_x Point Source Screening Tables by Richard D. Scheffe” from the USEPA’s Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (available at <http://ndep.nv.gov/bapc/download/model/scheffe.pdf>). Although these tables were published in draft form in 1988, they have neither been finalized nor formally included in USEPA guidance. The tables are based on sensitivity analysis of the Reactive Plume Model, Version II (RPM-II) a point source model which included a simplified photochemical mechanism (CB4). Two look-up tables have been developed, Table 1 for rural areas (applicable here) and Table 2 for urban areas. The input parameters used in the look-up table include non-methane organic compound (NMOC, synonymous with VOC) emissions and oxides of nitrogen emissions (NO_x). Results are provided for three categories of sources, with:

1. NMOC emissions greater than 20.7 times NO_x emissions;
2. NMOC emissions greater between 5.2 and 20.7 times NO_x emissions; and
3. NMOC emissions less than 5.2 times NO_x emissions.

The maximum potential incremental 1-hour O₃ concentration anywhere downwind is then estimated by selecting the emissions ratio that applies from these three categories and then interpolating from the table according to NMOC emissions.

For this application, Table 1 in the Scheffe report, applicable to rural areas, was applied. The total maximum emissions of NMOC expressed on an annualized basis are 87 tons/year and the maximum NO_x emissions are 1607 tons/year. According to the Scheffe Table 1, the maximum incremental 1-hour ozone concentration would be 0.013 parts per million (ppm).

To put this screening-level estimate in context, the on-site monitoring data (presently available from April 2006 through May 2007) indicate a maximum 1-hour O₃ concentration of 0.0788 ppm and a maximum 8-hour concentration of 0.0712 ppm. If it is conservatively assumed that the incremental screening level impact occurs on the same hour as the peak monitored concentration, the net maximum 1-hour concentration would be 0.092 ppm (0.0788 ppm + 0.013 ppm). This is well below than the previous 1-hour ambient standard of 0.125 ppm. To evaluate the potential contribution to the maximum 8-hour concentration, the 1-hour value interpolated from the table can be multiplied by 0.90, which is the ratio of the peak ambient 8-hour and 1-hour monitored concentrations. This results in an estimated maximum 8-hour incremental concentration of 0.012 ppm due to the project emissions. Conservatively adding this value to the measured

ambient concentration of 0.0712 ppm (assuming concurrent impacts) results in a maximum 8-hour concentration of 0.0832 ppm, which is less than the 8-hour standard of 0.085 ppm.

It should be noted that the Scheffe method is not necessarily appropriate for sources such as the present case where the ratio NMOC to NO_x is two orders of magnitude less than the category listed in the tables. Nevertheless, application of this highly conservative approach demonstrates compliance with the ambient ozone standard.

8A.5.4.5 Visible Plume Analysis

This analysis is addressed in Appendix 8B for visibility impacts within 50 km at the Lake Mead National Recreational Area.

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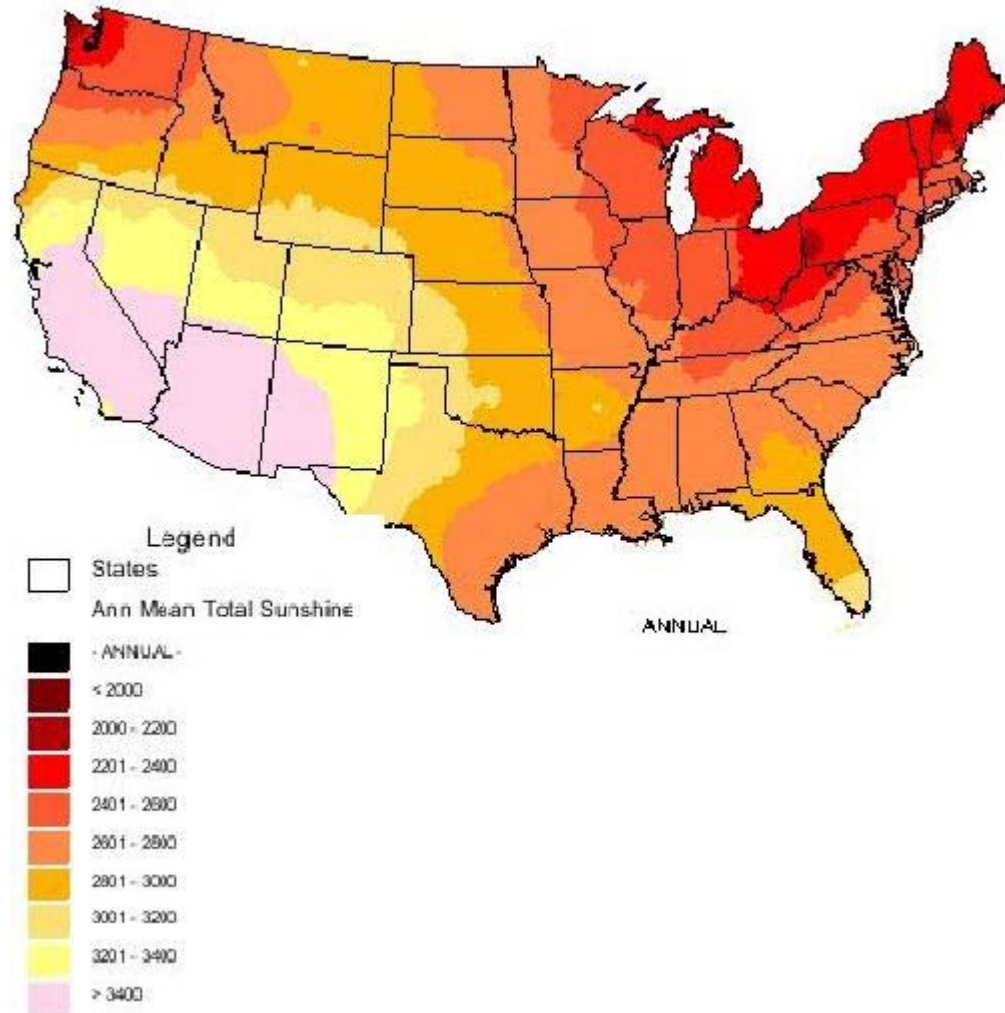
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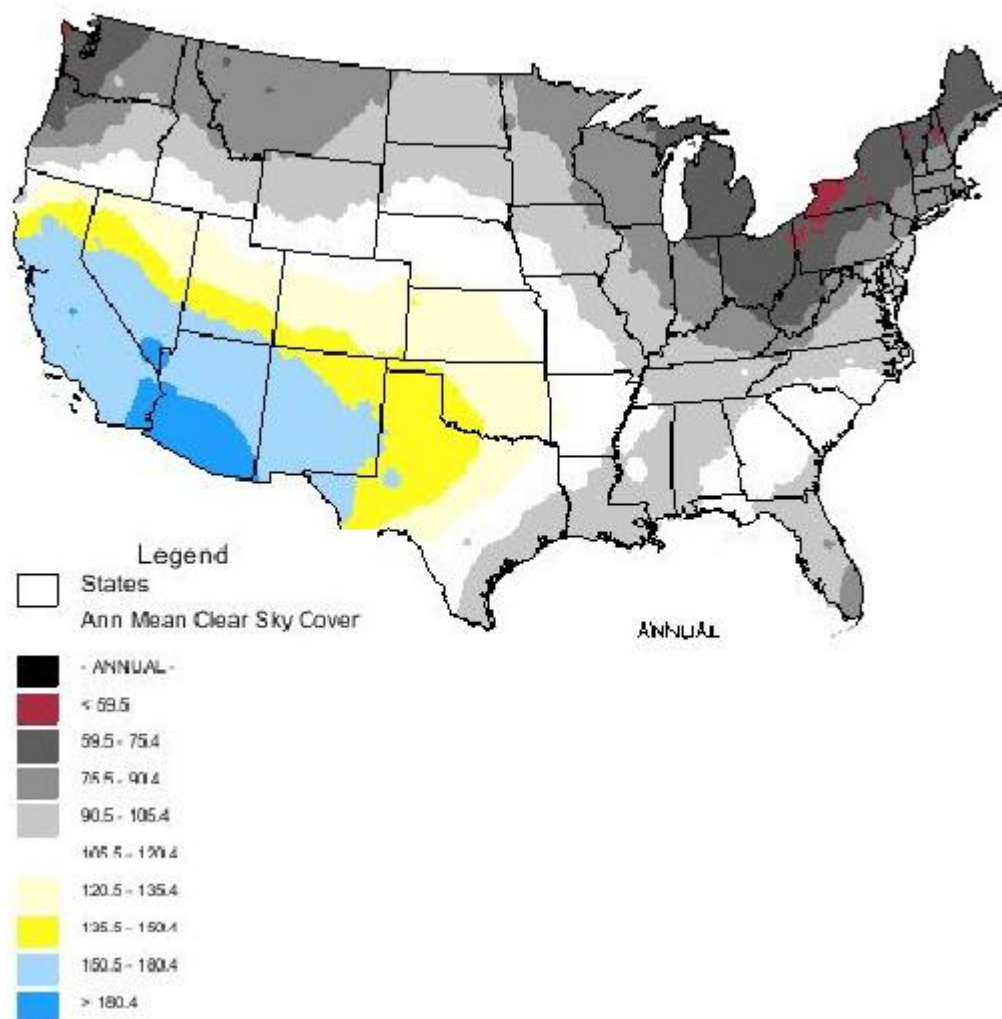
JUSTIFICATION FOR SELECTING ST.GEORGE, AZ FOR TOQUOP SITE CLOUD COVER DATA

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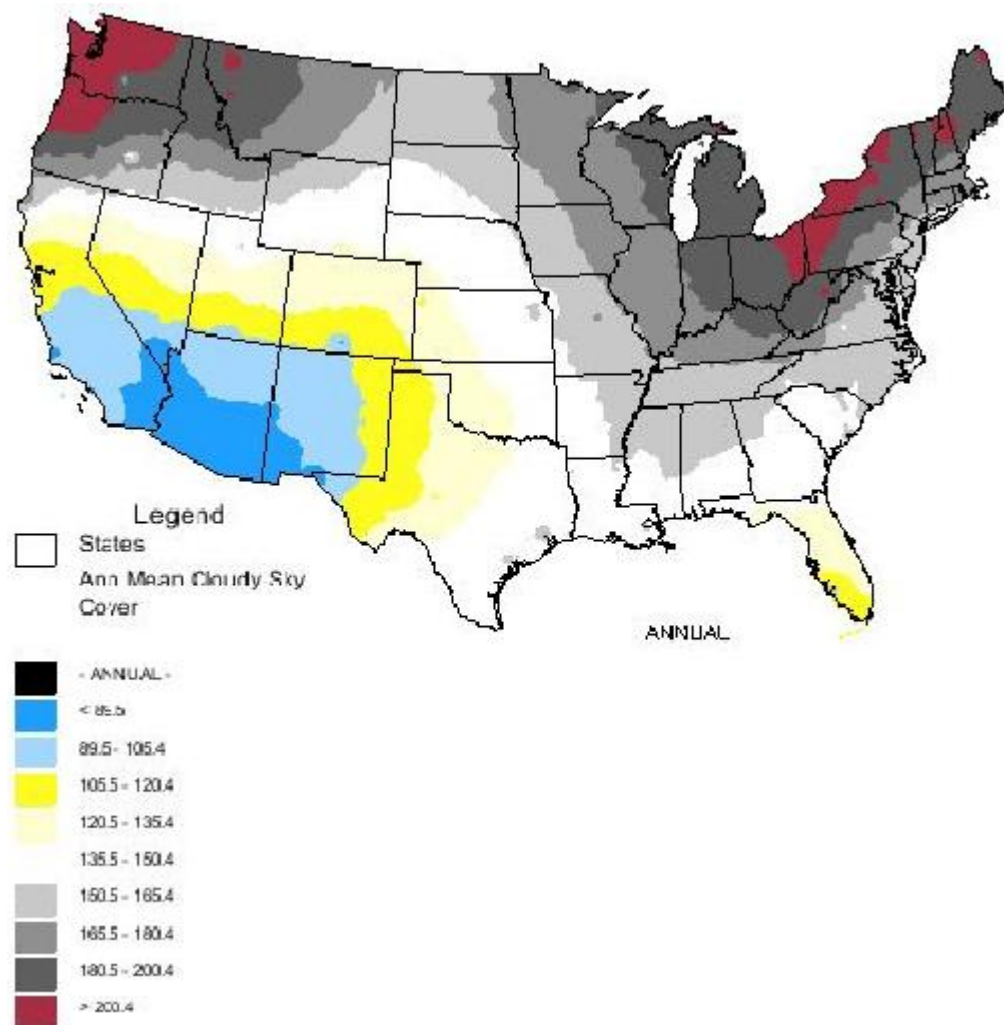
Annual Mean Total Sunshine Hours



Annual Mean Clear Sky Cover



Annual Mean Cloudy Sky Cover



MONITORING DATA RECOVERY BY QUARTER

Data Recovery for the Quarter ¹ April 2006 - June 2006, April 2007			
channel	possible hours	valid hours	percent recovery
10WS	2184	2184	100.0%
10WD	2184	2184	100.0%
10ST	2184	2184	100.0%
50WS	2184	2184	100.0%
50WD	2184	2184	100.0%
50ST	2184	2184	100.0%
10 VWS	2184	2184	100.0%
50 VWS	2184	2184	100.0%
10SW	2184	2184	100.0%
50SW	2184	2184	100.0%
2mt	2184	2184	100.0%
10mt	2184	2184	100.0%
50mt	2184	2184	100.0%
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50-2dt	2184	2184	100.0%
10-2dt/8m	2184	2184	100.0%
50-2dt/53m	2184	2184	100.0%
RH%	2184	2184	100.0%
Sol W/m ²	2184	2184	100.0%
Precip.	2184	2184	100.0%
Pressure	2184	2184	100.0%
SO ₂	2904	2742	94.4%
NO	2904	2745	94.5%
NO _x	2904	2745	94.5%
NO ₂	2904	2745	94.5%
O ₃	2904	2770	95.4%
Stn T	2184	2184	100.0%
PM ₁₀	20 (days)	20 (days)	100.0%
TSP	20 (days)	20 (days)	100.0%
SODAR	2184	2046	93.7%

¹ For ambient air quality data, the statistics cover four months (April-June 2006 and April 2007). For meteorological data, the statistics represent the equivalent of 3 months (91 days) within this 4-month period that omit the power outage-affected days of April 1-19, 2006, and May 9-19, 2006.

	Data Recovery for the Quarter		
	July 2006 - September 2006		
channel	possible	valid	percent
	hours	hours	recovery
	Qtr	Qtr	Qtr
10WS	2208	2208	100.0%
10WD	2208	2208	100.0%
10ST	2208	2208	100.0%
50WS	2208	2208	100.0%
50WD	2208	2208	100.0%
50ST	2208	2208	100.0%
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50 VWS	2208	2208	100.0%
10SW	2208	2208	100.0%
50SW	2208	2208	100.0%
2mt	2208	2208	100.0%
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50mt	2208	2208	100.0%
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50-2dt	2208	2208	100.0%
10-2dt/8	2208	2208	100.0%
50-2dt/53	2208	2208	100.0%
RH%	2208	2208	100.0%
Sol w/m ²	2208	2208	100.0%
Precip.	2208	2206	99.9%
Pressure	2208	2208	100.0%
SO ₂	2208	1969	89.2%
NO	2208	1999	90.5%
NO _x	2208	1999	90.5%
NO ₂	2208	1999	90.5%
O ₃	2208	2021	91.5%
PM ₁₀	15	14	93.3%
TSP	15	14	93.3%
SODAR	2208	2046	92.7%

Note: PM₁₀ and TSP data represent days of monitoring, not hours

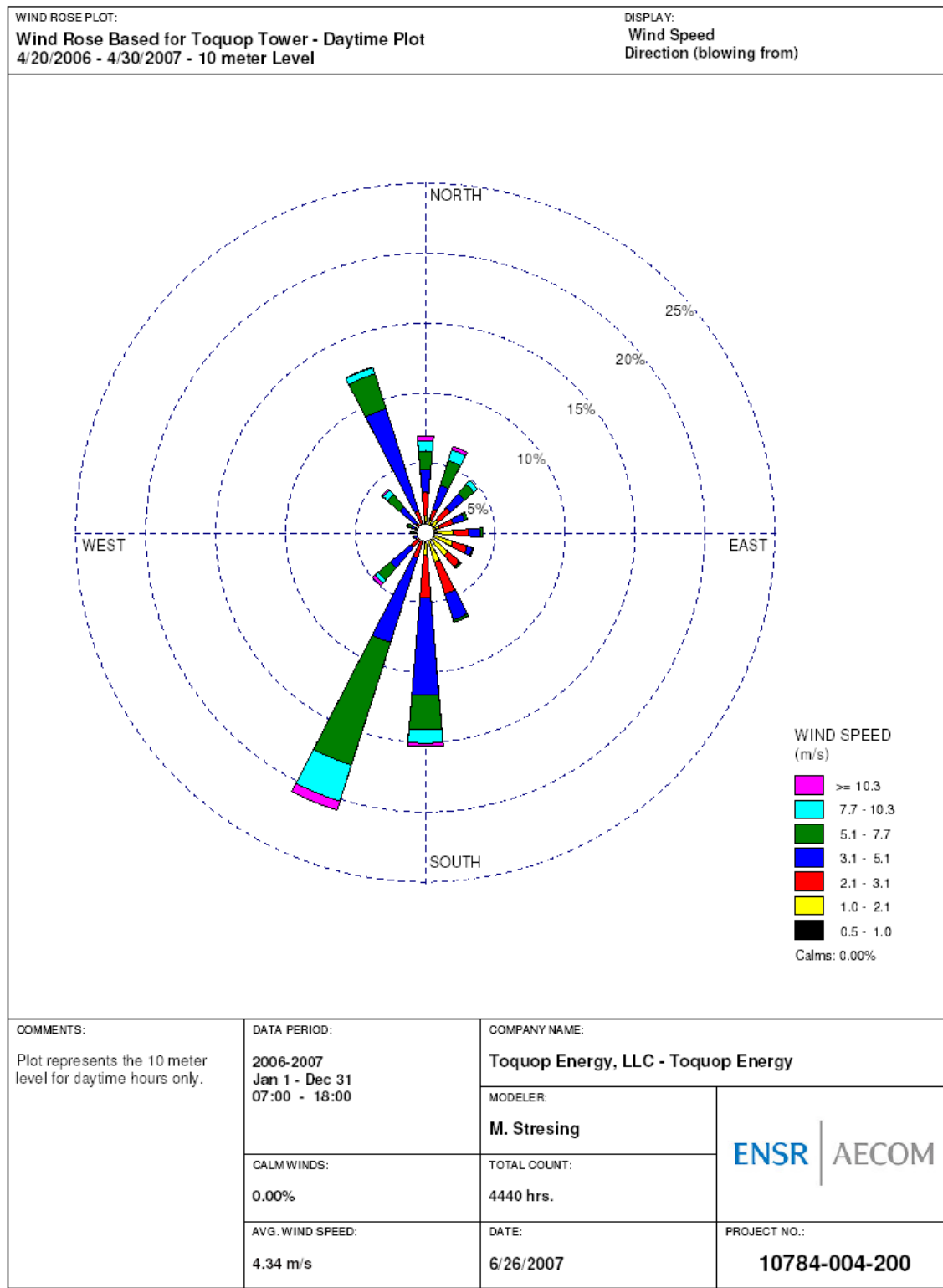
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50-2dt	2208	2208	100.0%	
10-2dt/8	2208	2208	100.0%	
50-2dt/53	2208	2208	100.0%	
RH%	2208	2208	100.0%	
Sol w/m ²	2208	2208	100.0%	
Precip.	2208	2208	100.0%	
Pressure	2208	2208	100.0%	
SO ₂	2208	2073	93.9%	
NO	2208	2073	93.9%	
NO _x	2208	2073	93.9%	
NO ₂	2208	2073	93.9%	
O ₃	2208	2082	94.3%	
PM ₁₀	15	15	100.0%	
TSP	15	15	100.0%	
SODAR*	2208	2205	99.9%	
*SODAR data recovery represents combined data				

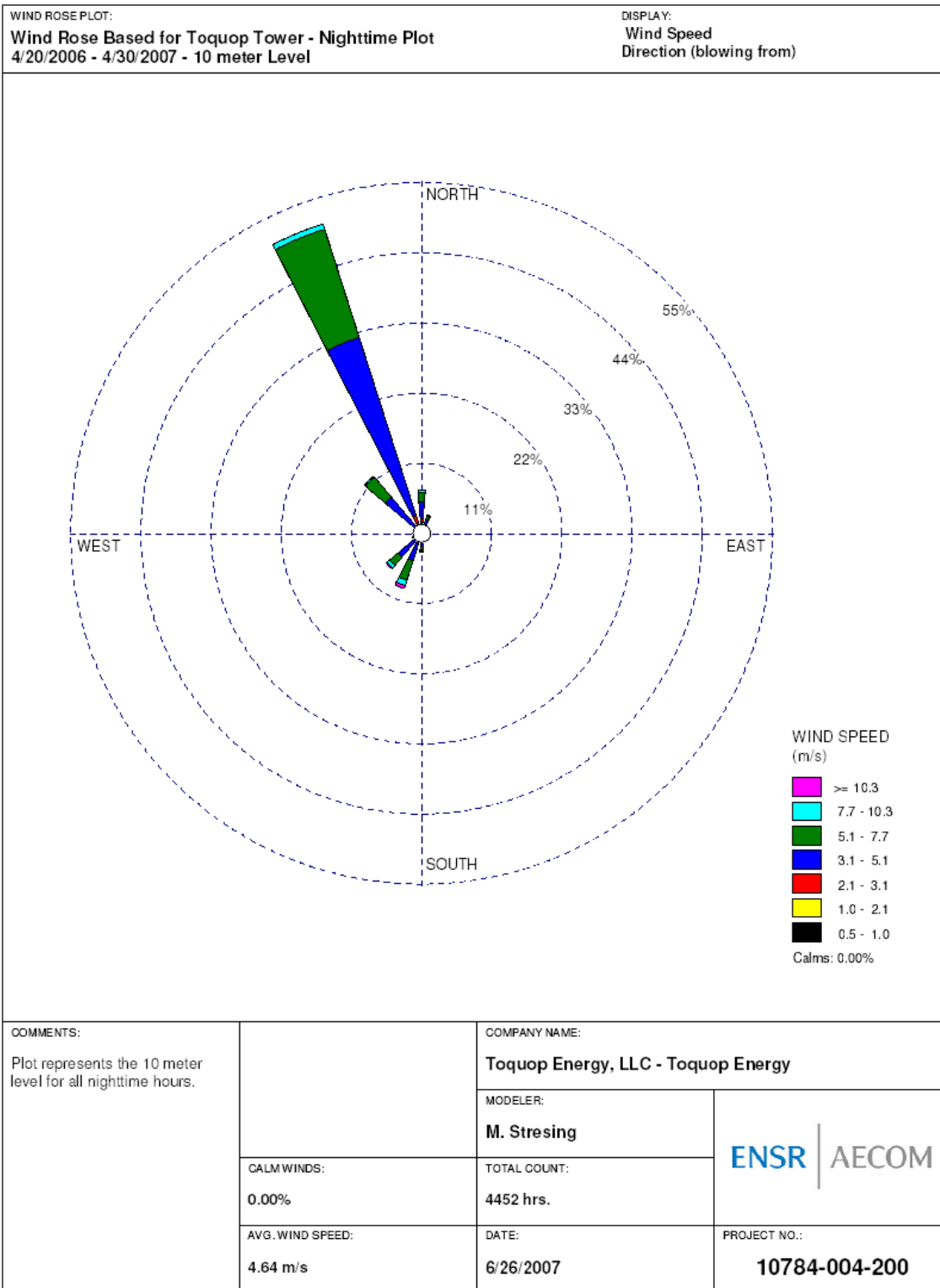
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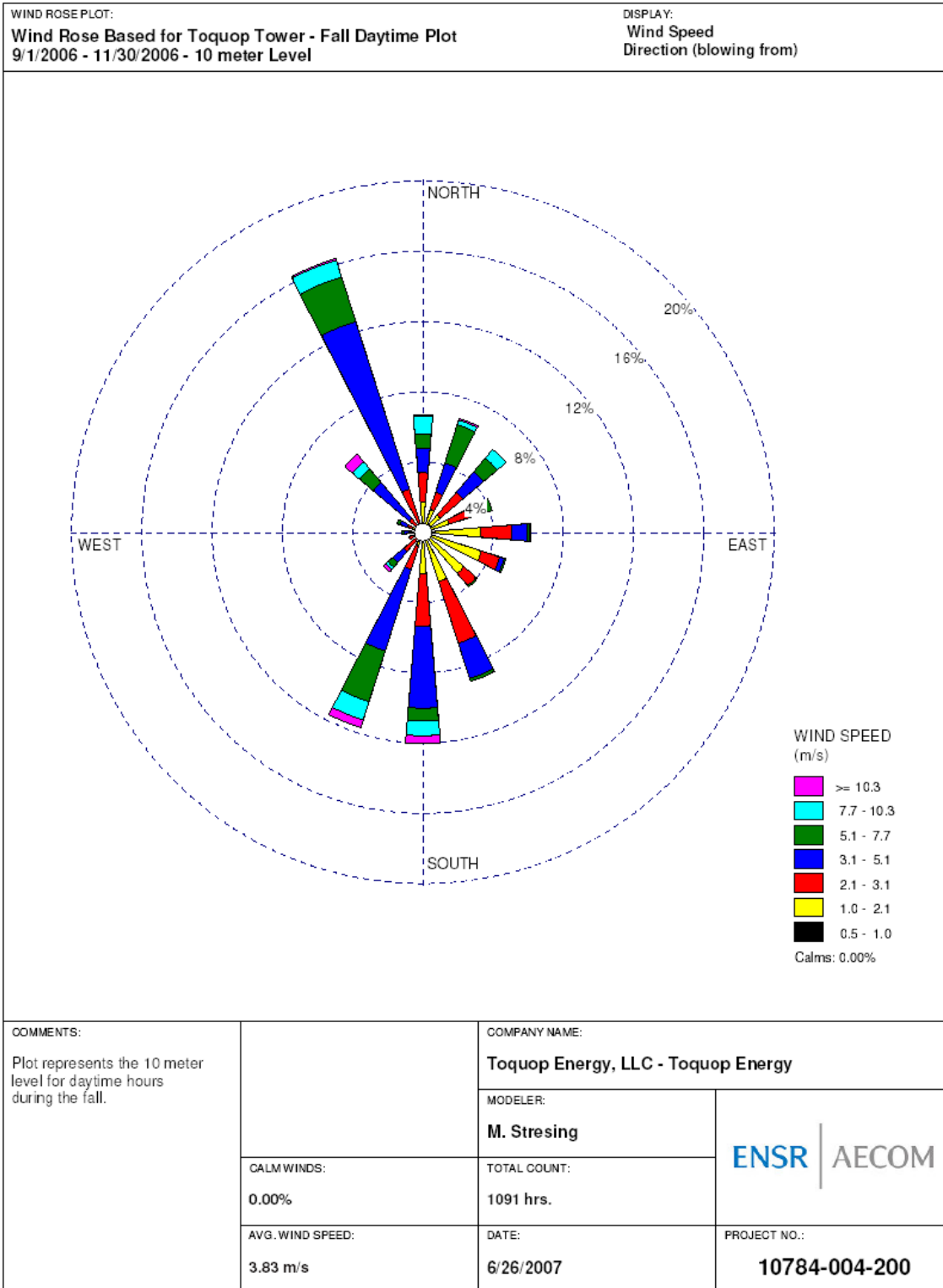
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	hours	hours	recovery	
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50-2dt	2160	2149	99.5%	
10-2dt/8	2160	2149	99.5%	
50-2dt/53	2160	2149	99.5%	
RH%	2160	2160	100.0%	
Sol w/m ²	2160	2139	99.0%	
Precip.	2160	2157	99.9%	
Pressure	2160	2160	100.0%	
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NO	2160	1990	92.1%	
NO _x	2160	1990	92.1%	
NO ₂	2160	1990	92.1%	
O ₃	2160	1988	92.0%	
PM ₁₀	15	15	100.0%	
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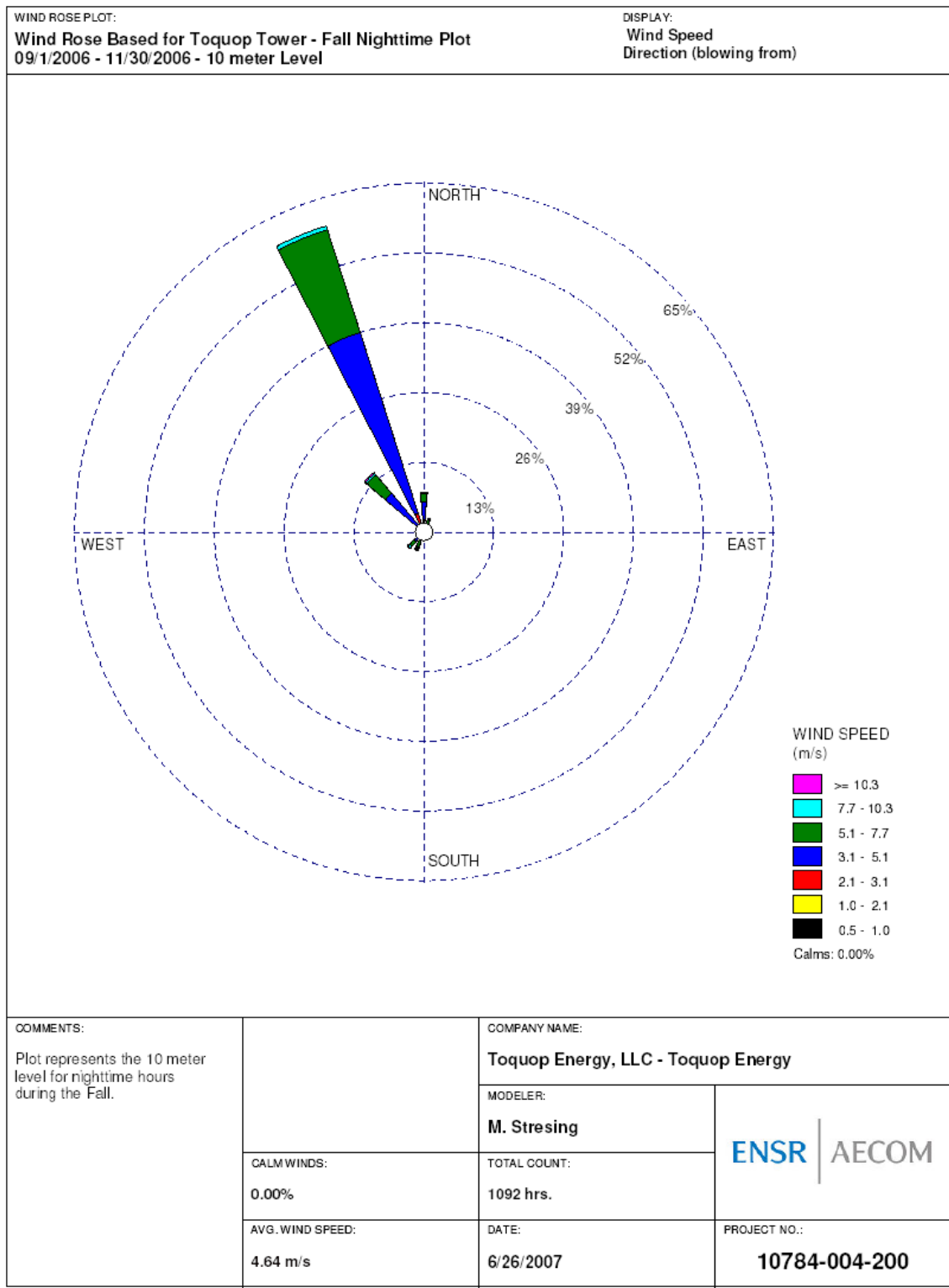
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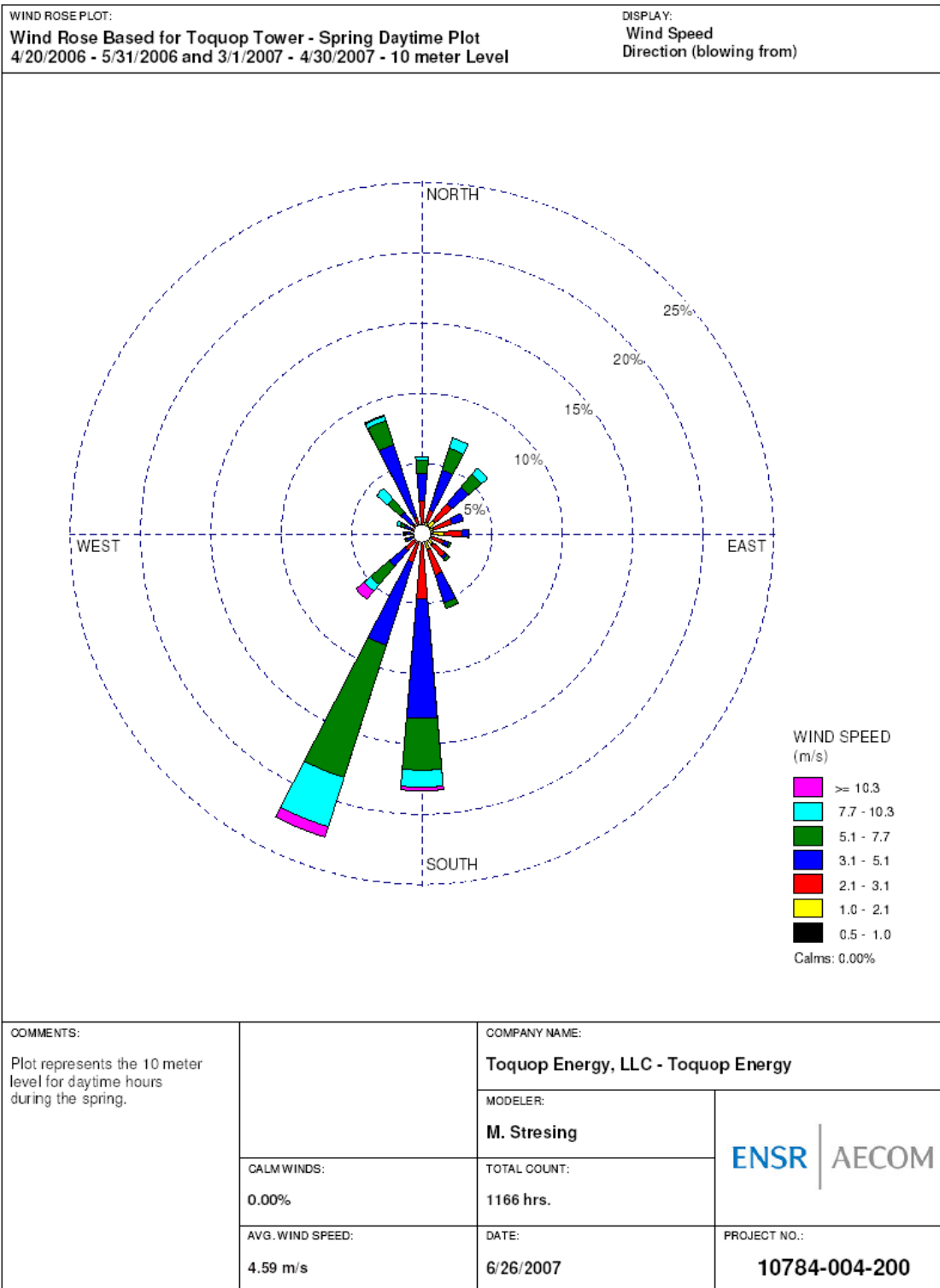
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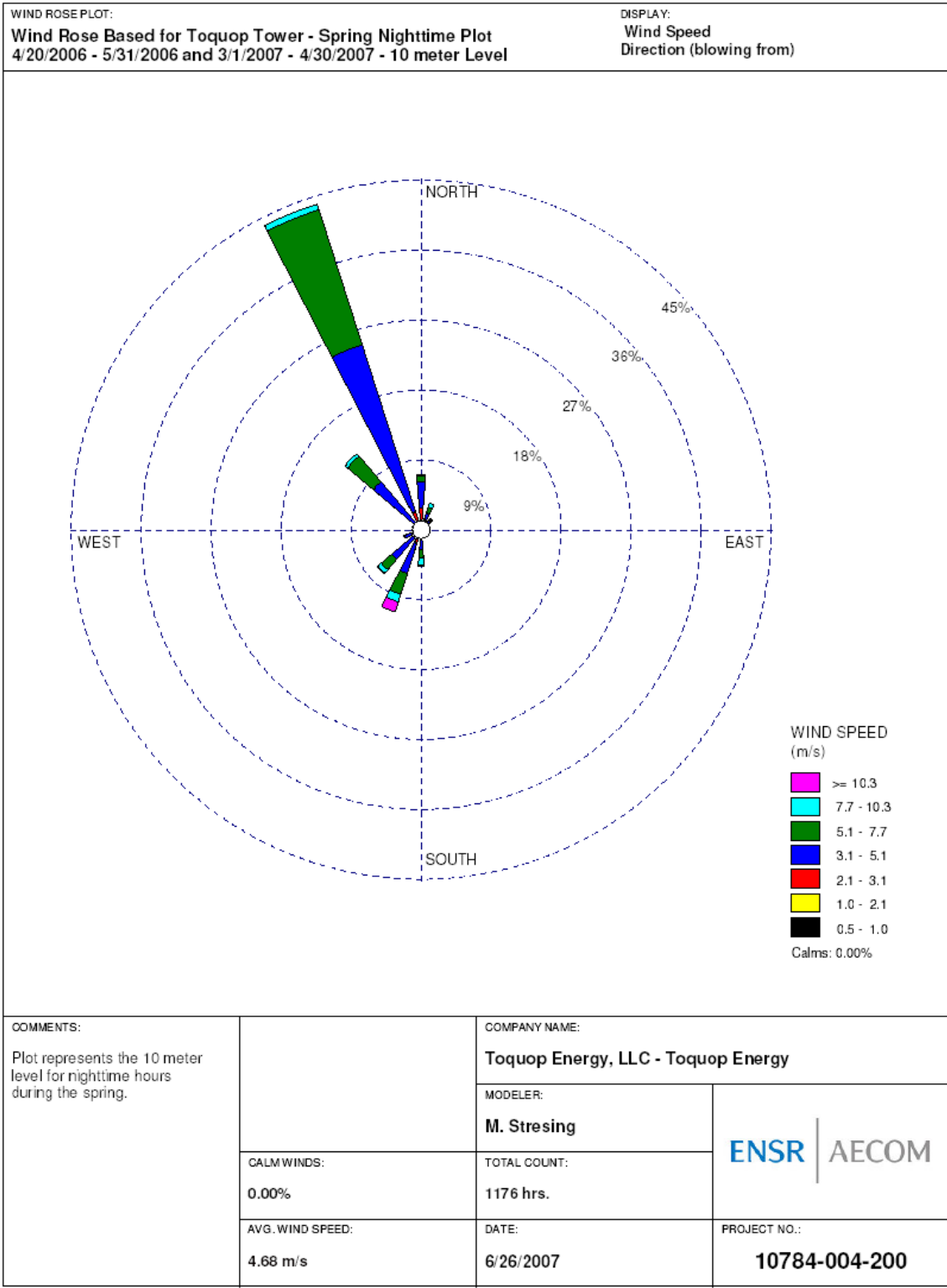










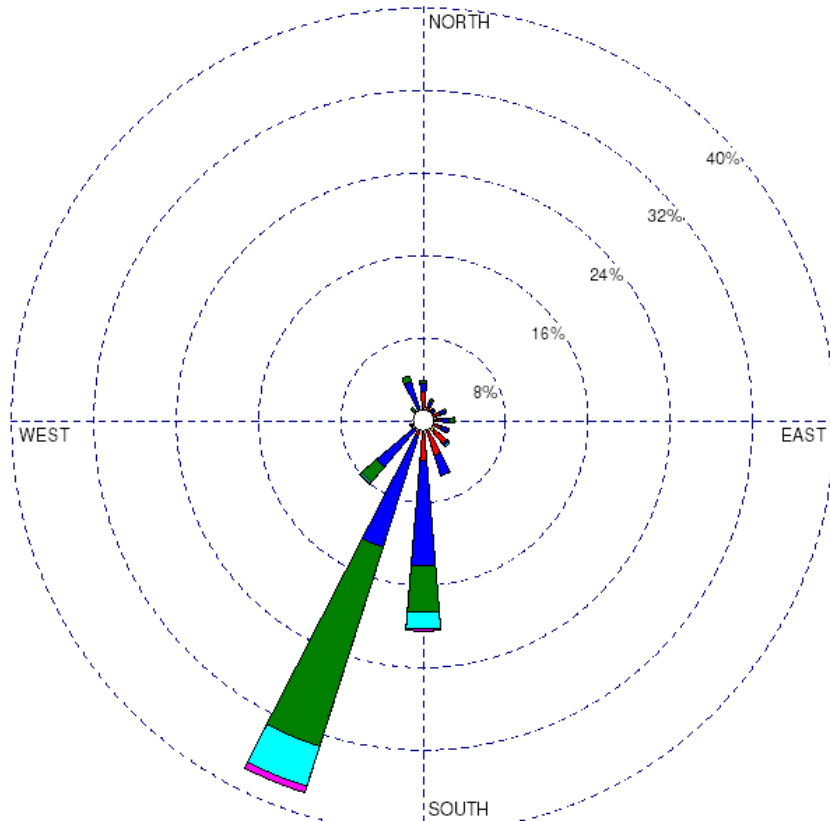


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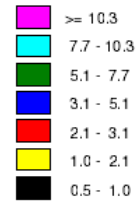
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06/1/2006 - 8/31/2006 - 10 meter Level

DISPLAY:

Wind Speed
Direction (blowing from)



WIND SPEED
(m/s)



Calms: 0.00%

COMMENTS:

Plot represents the 10 meter level for daytime hours during the summer.

COMPANY NAME:

Toquop Energy, LLC - Toquop Energy

MODELER:

M. Stresing

TOTAL COUNT:

1103 hrs.

DATE:

6/26/2007

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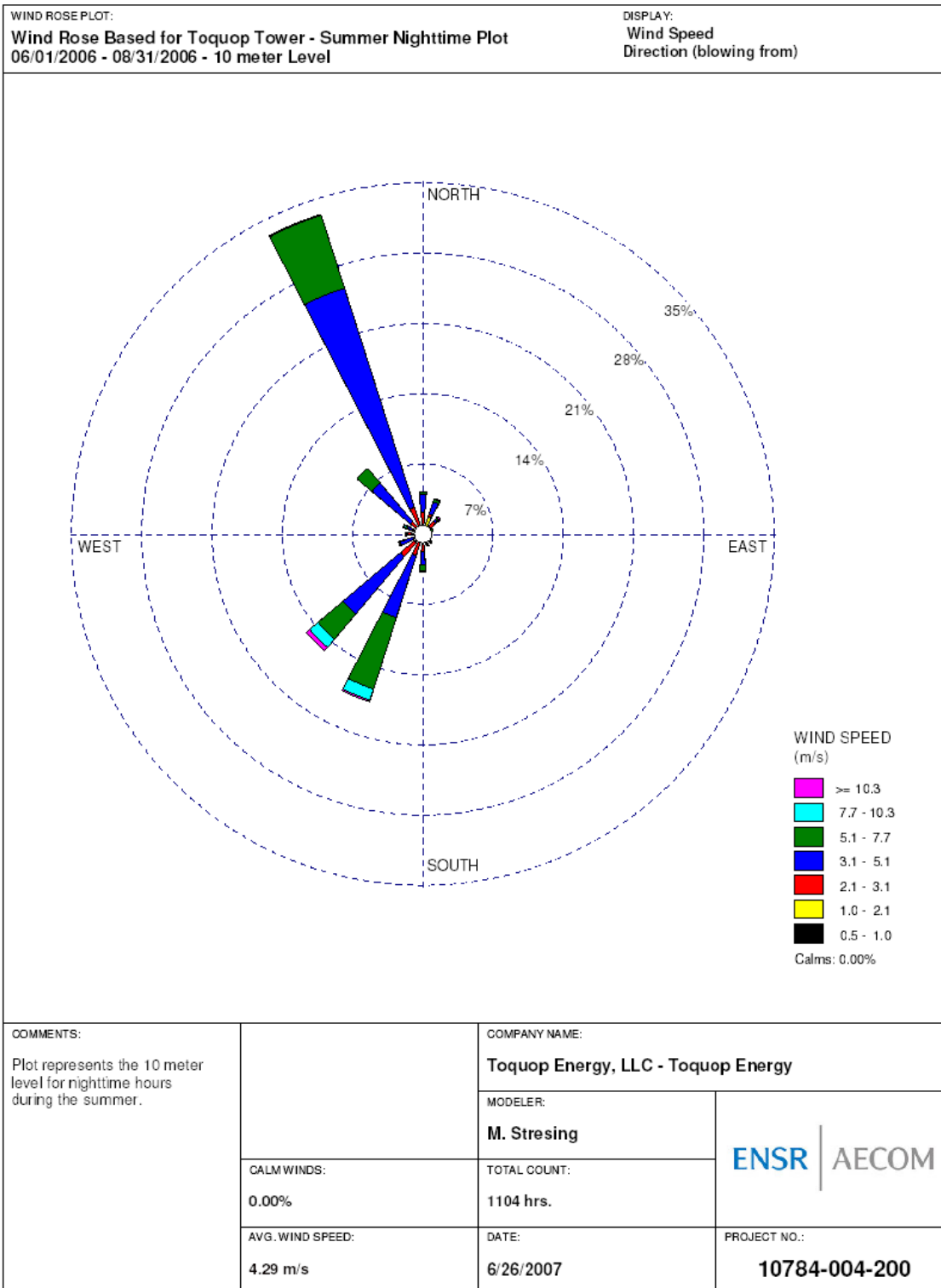
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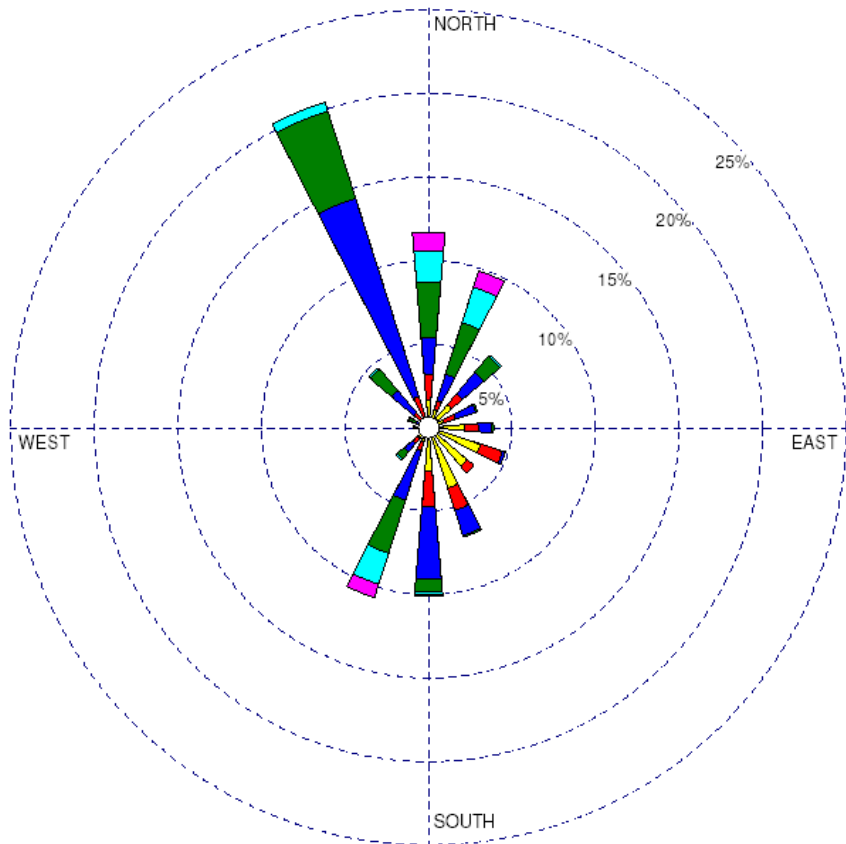


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Wind Rose Based for Toquop Tower - Winter Daytime Plot
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DISPLAY:

Wind Speed
Direction (blowing from)



COMMENTS:

Plot represents the 10 meter level for daytime hours during the winter.

COMPANY NAME:

Toquop Energy, LLC - Toquop Energy

MODELER:

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CALM WINDS:

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TOTAL COUNT:

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AVG. WIND SPEED:

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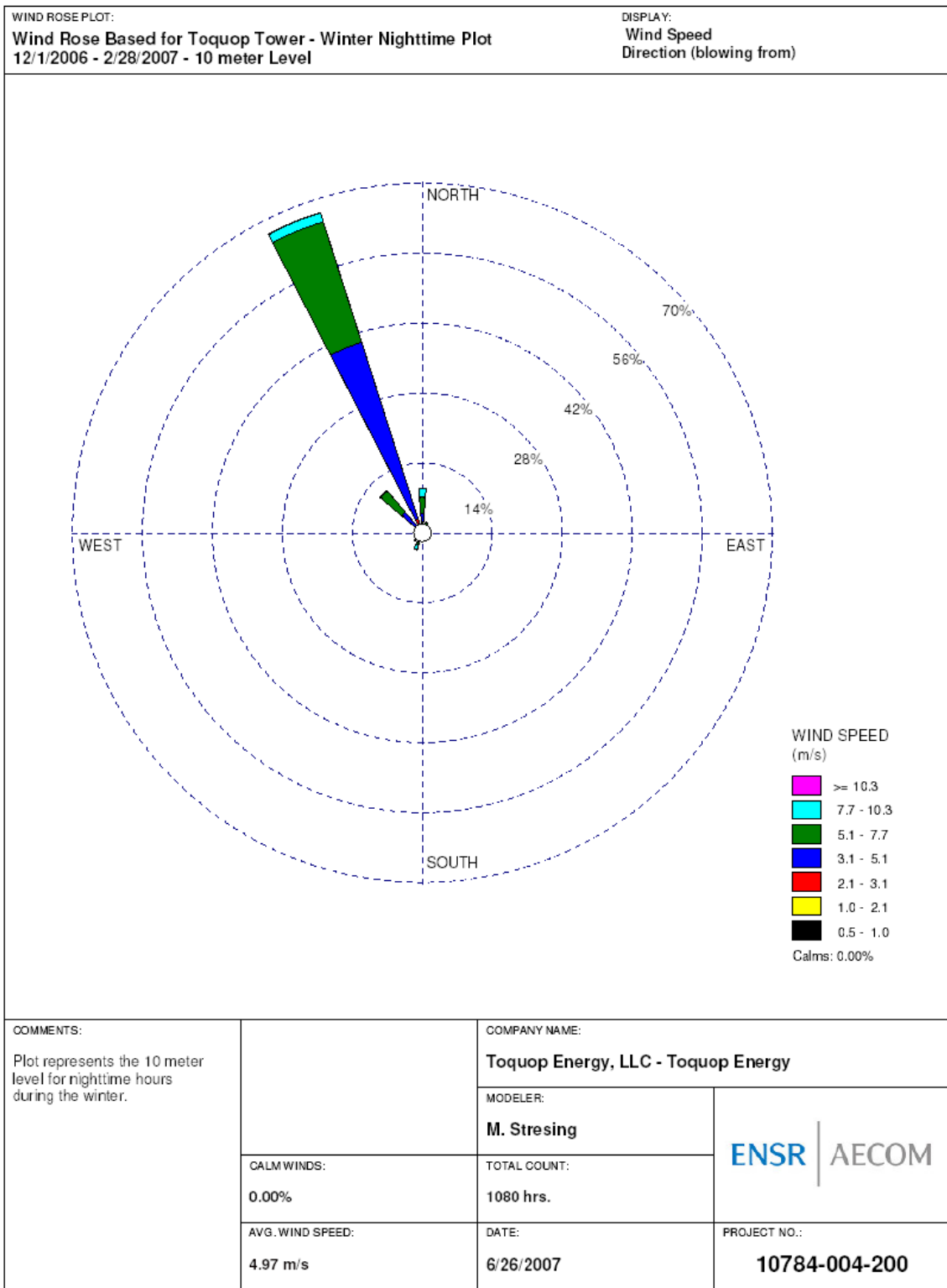
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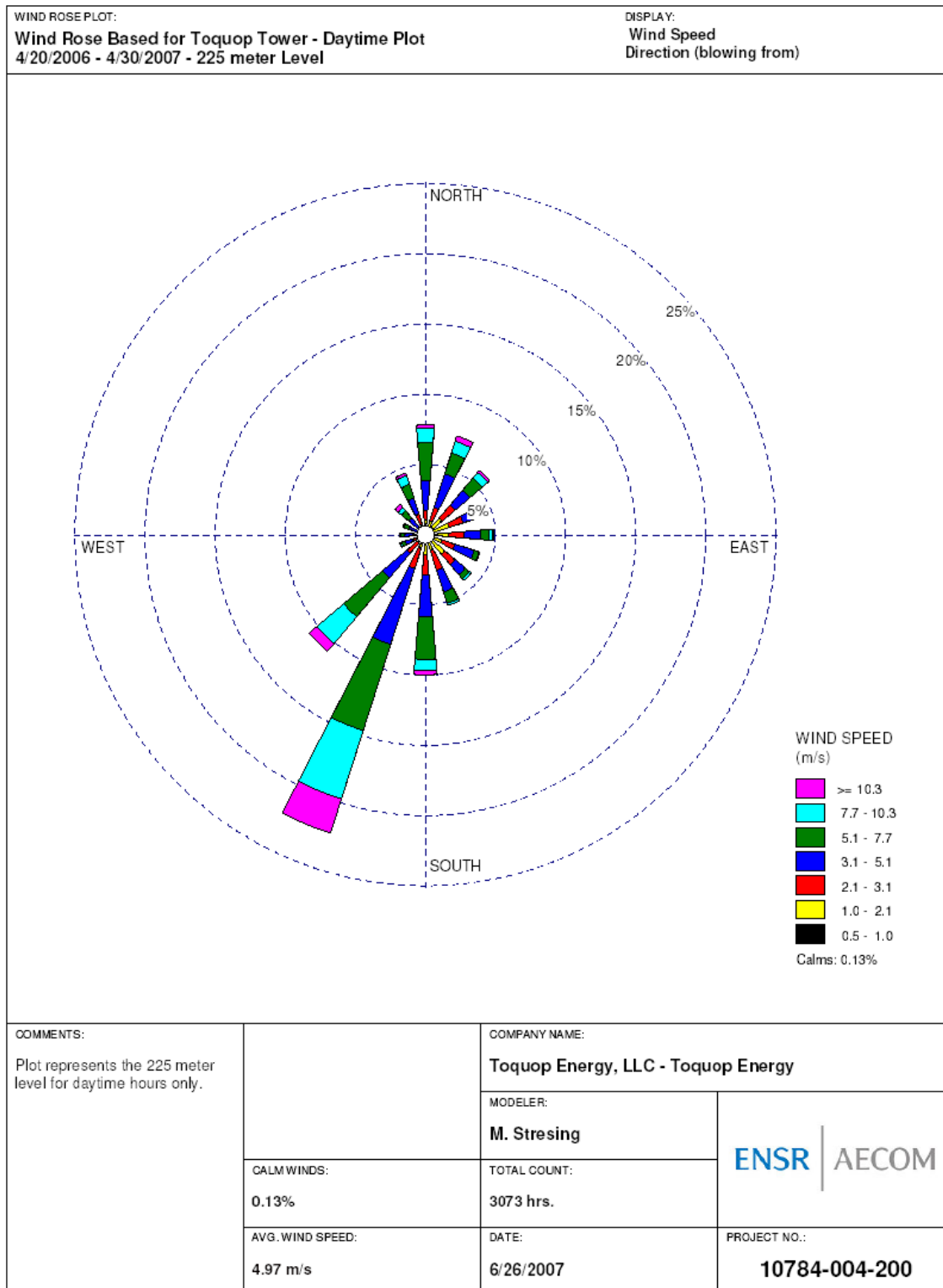
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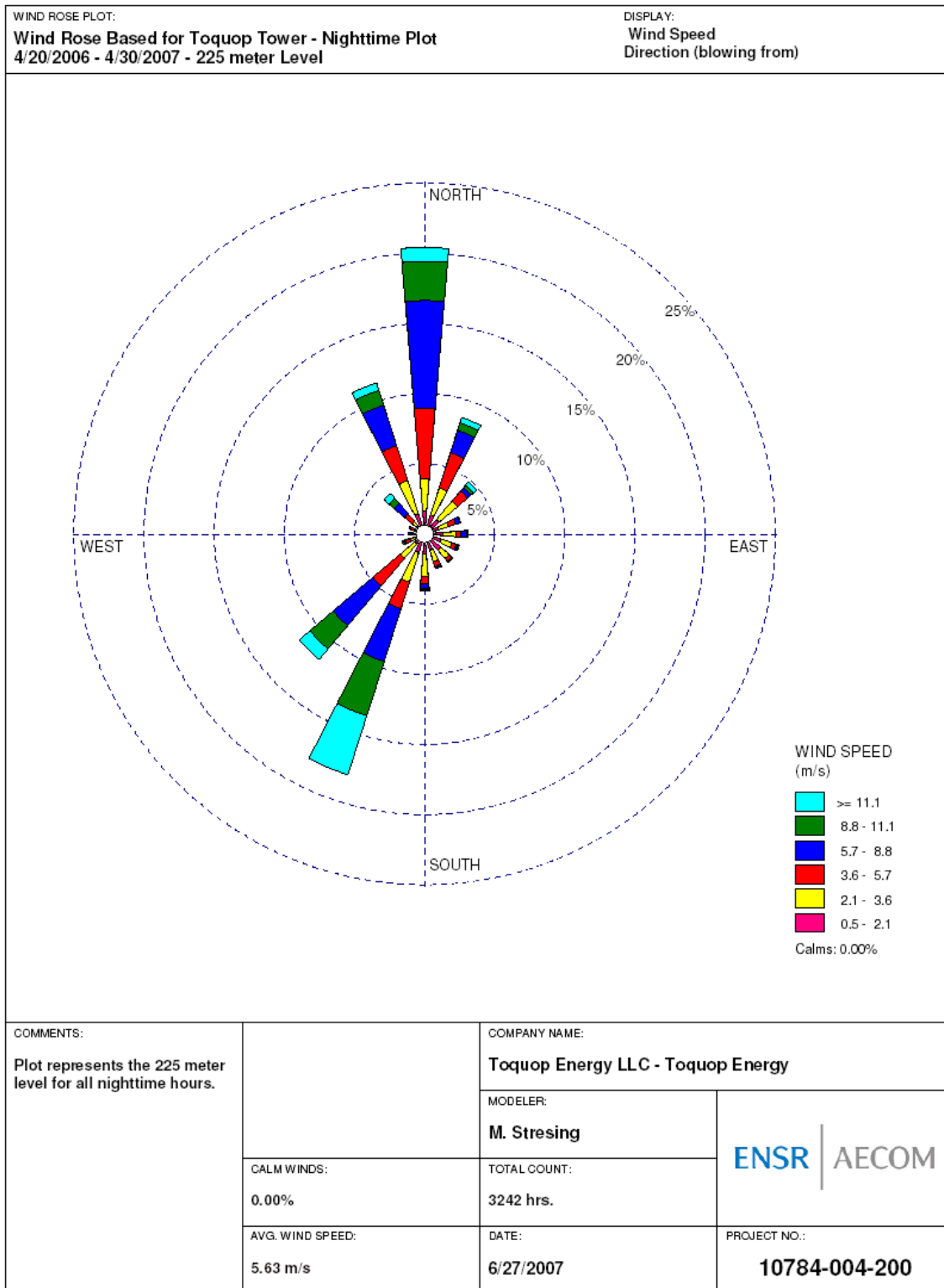
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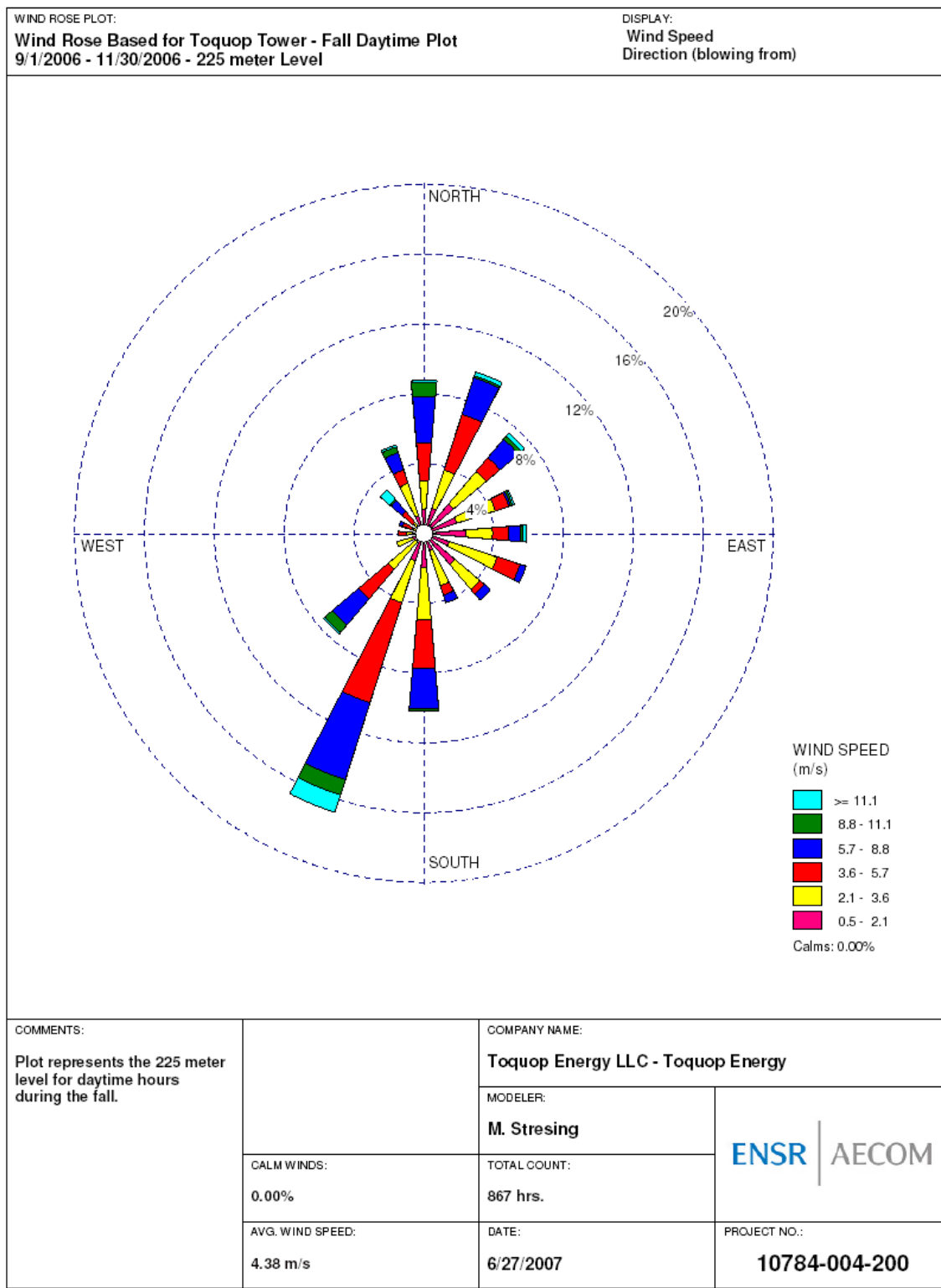
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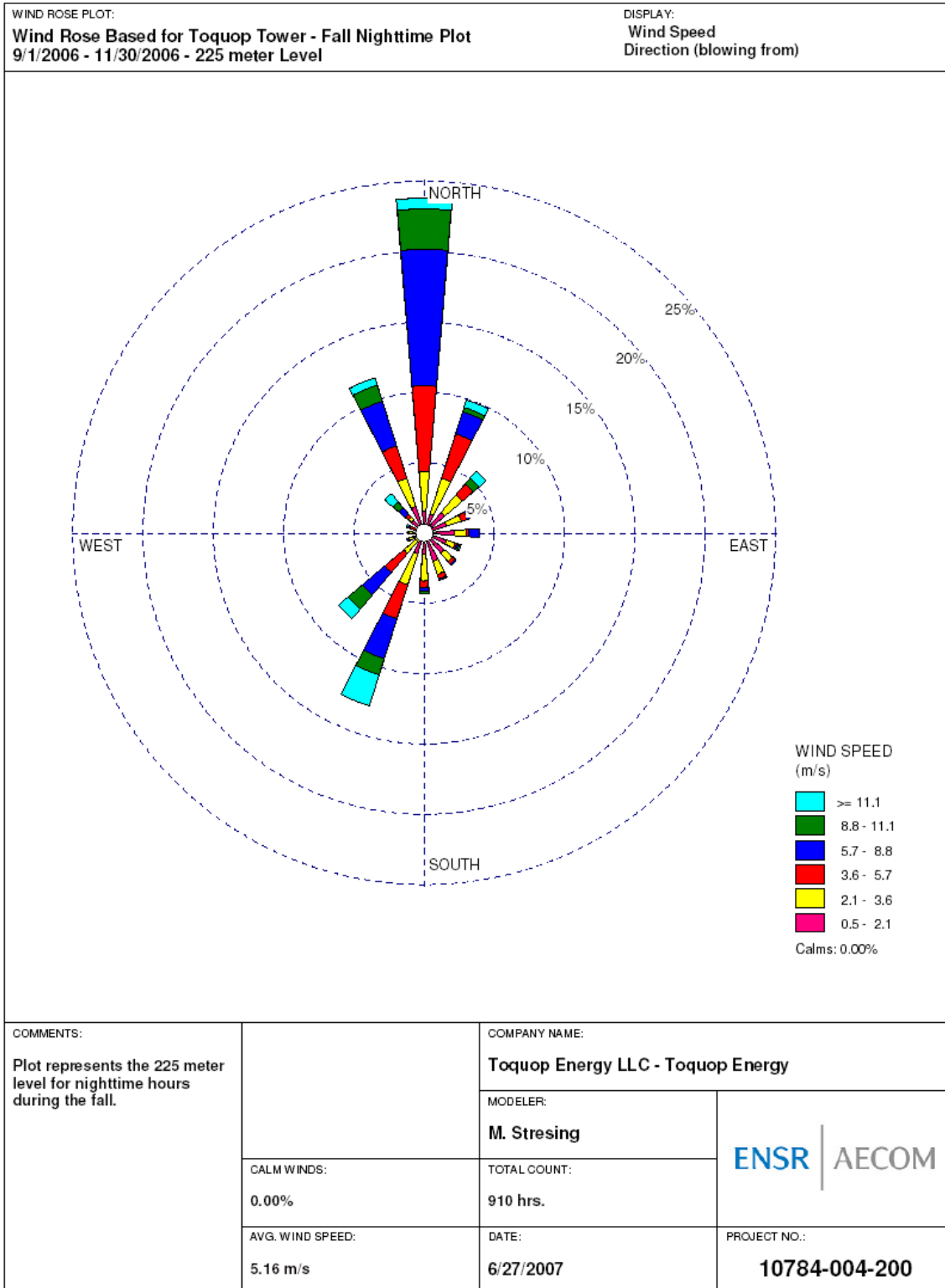


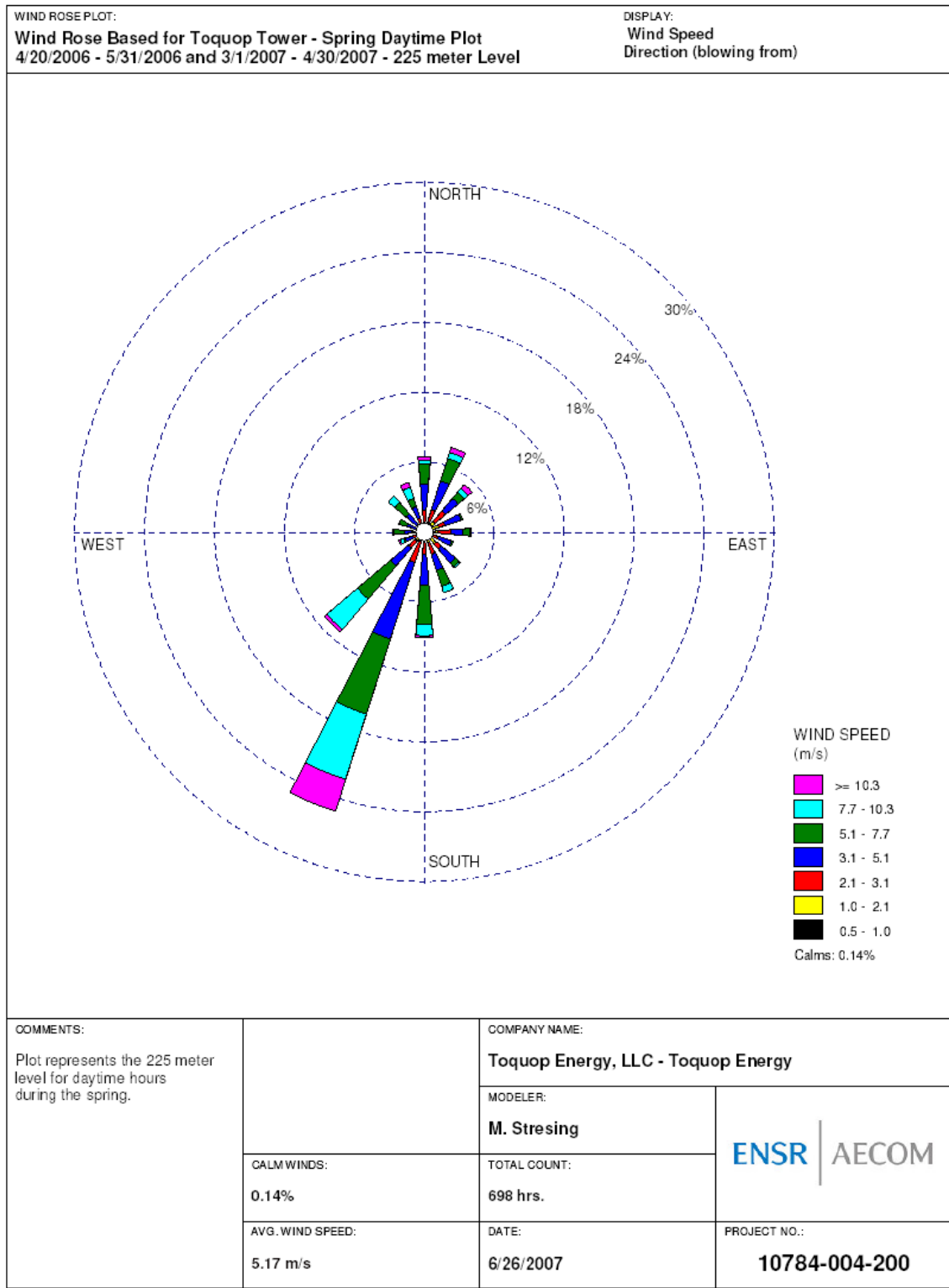
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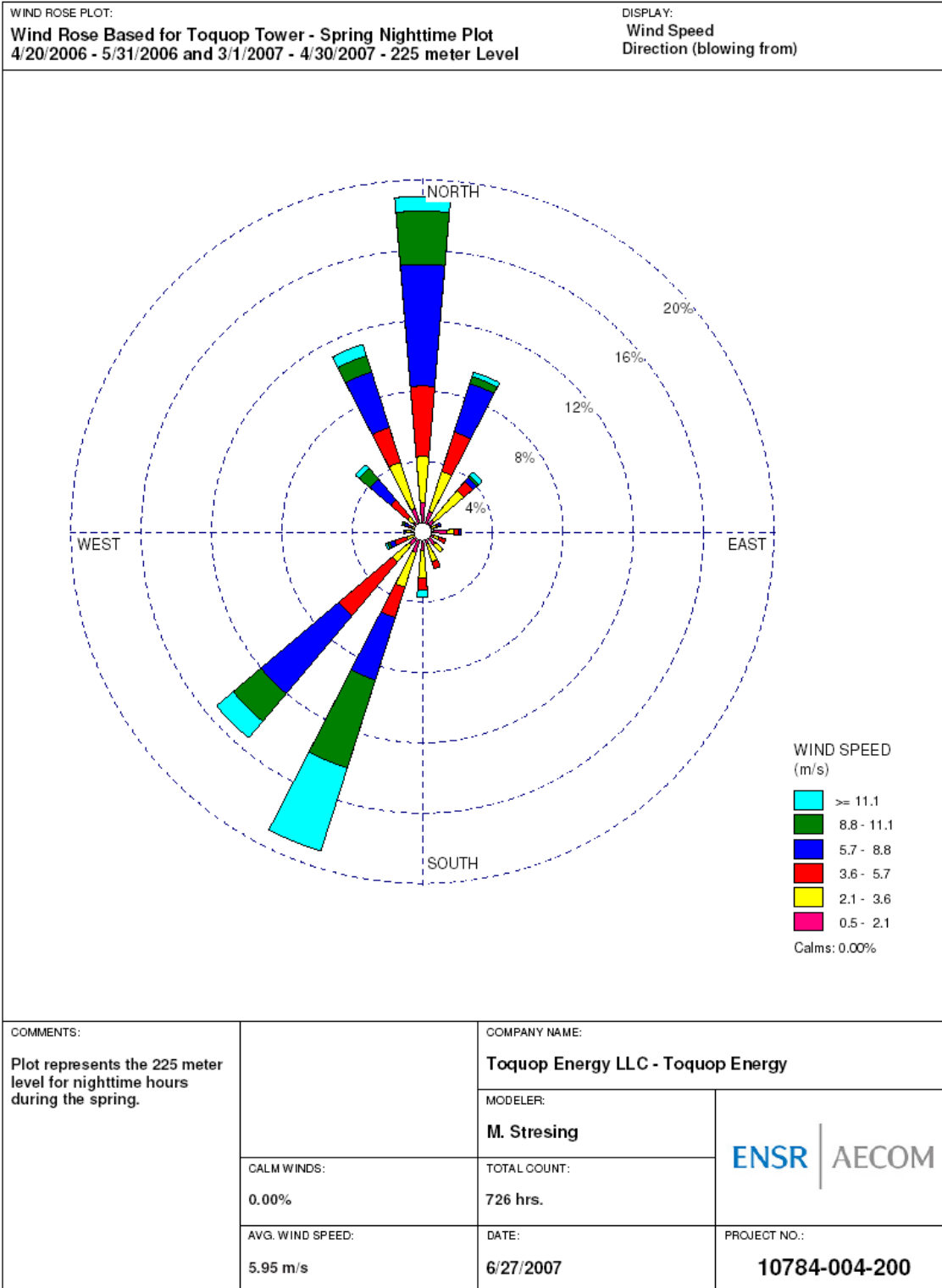


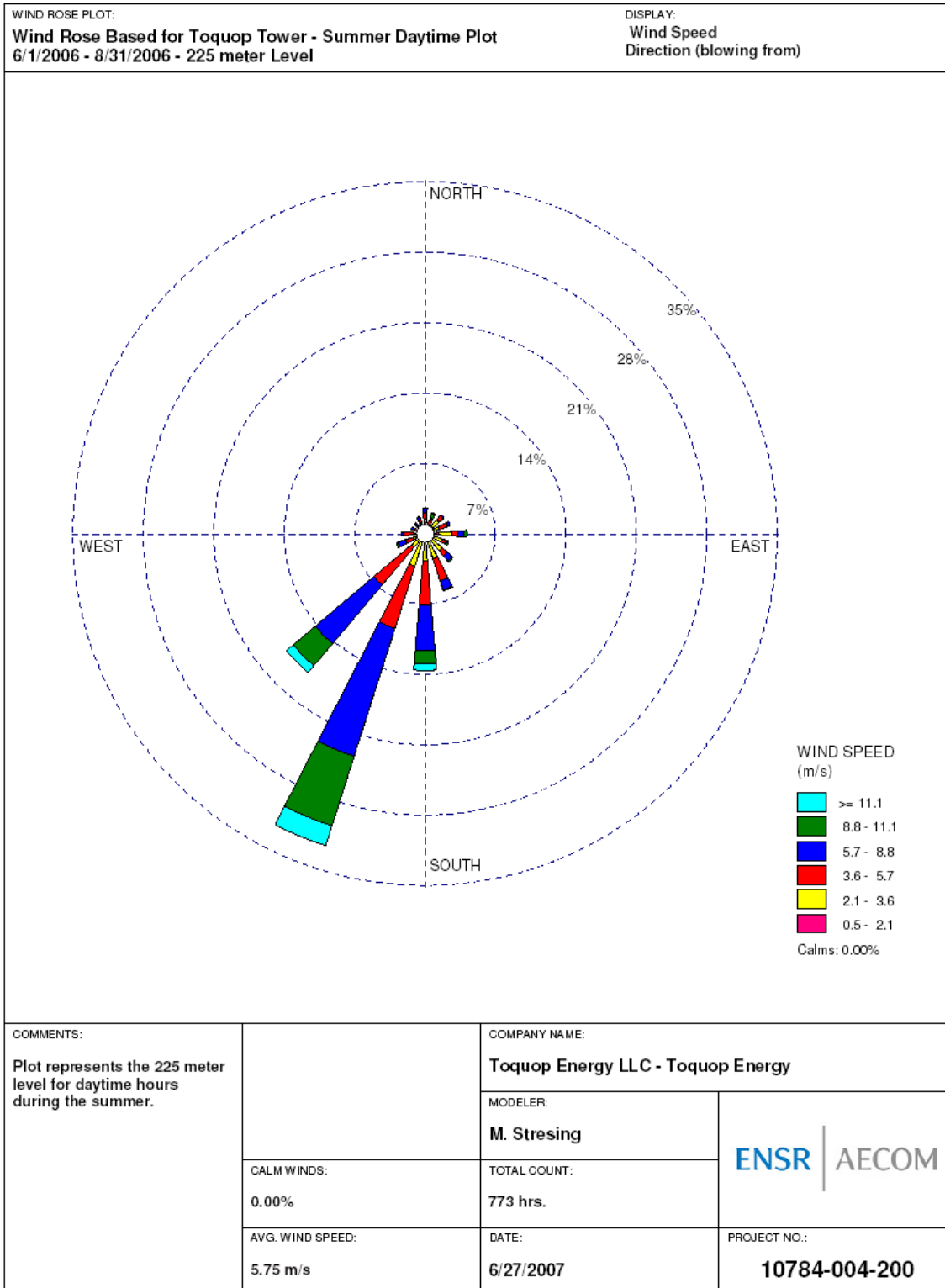


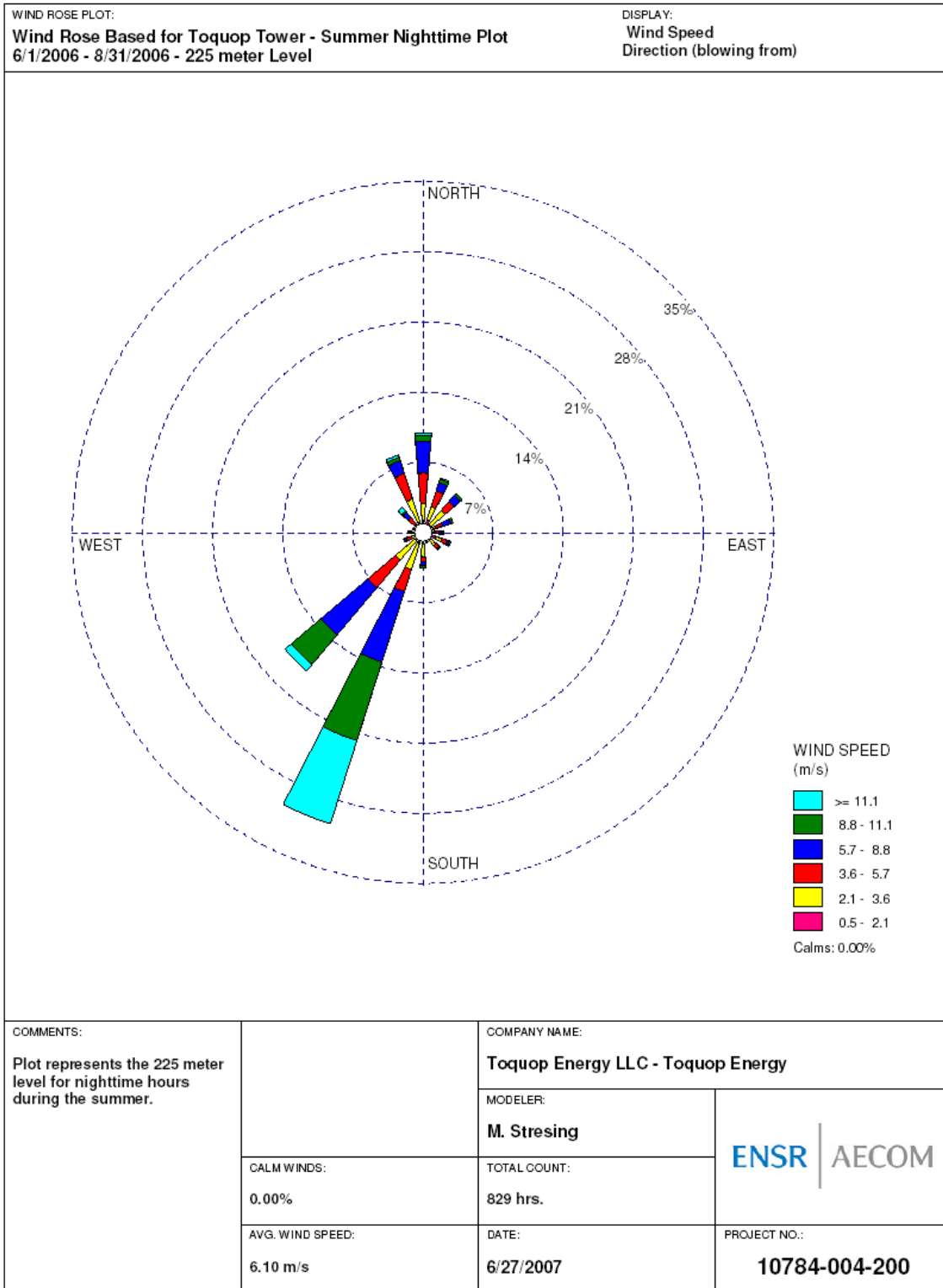


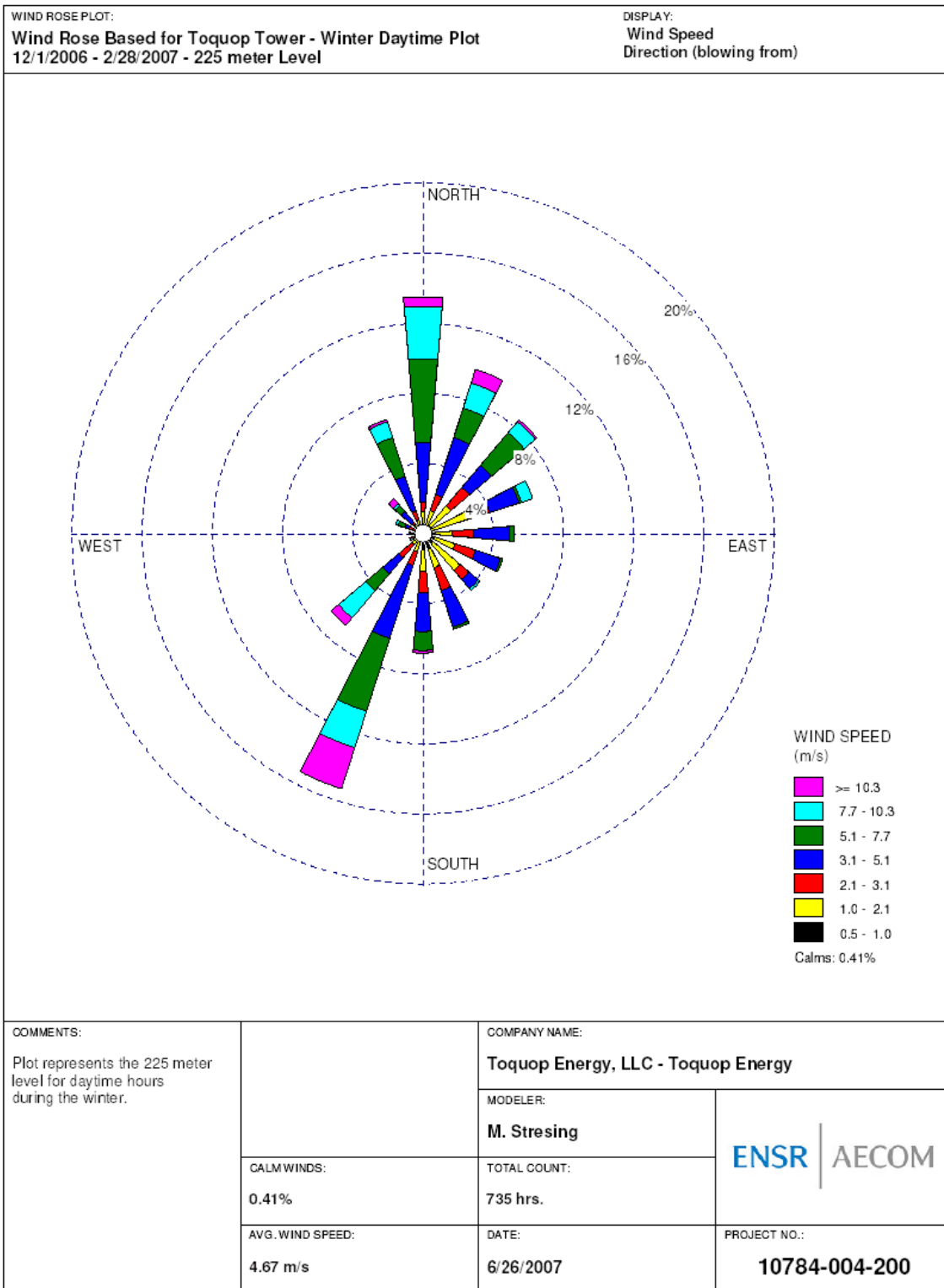


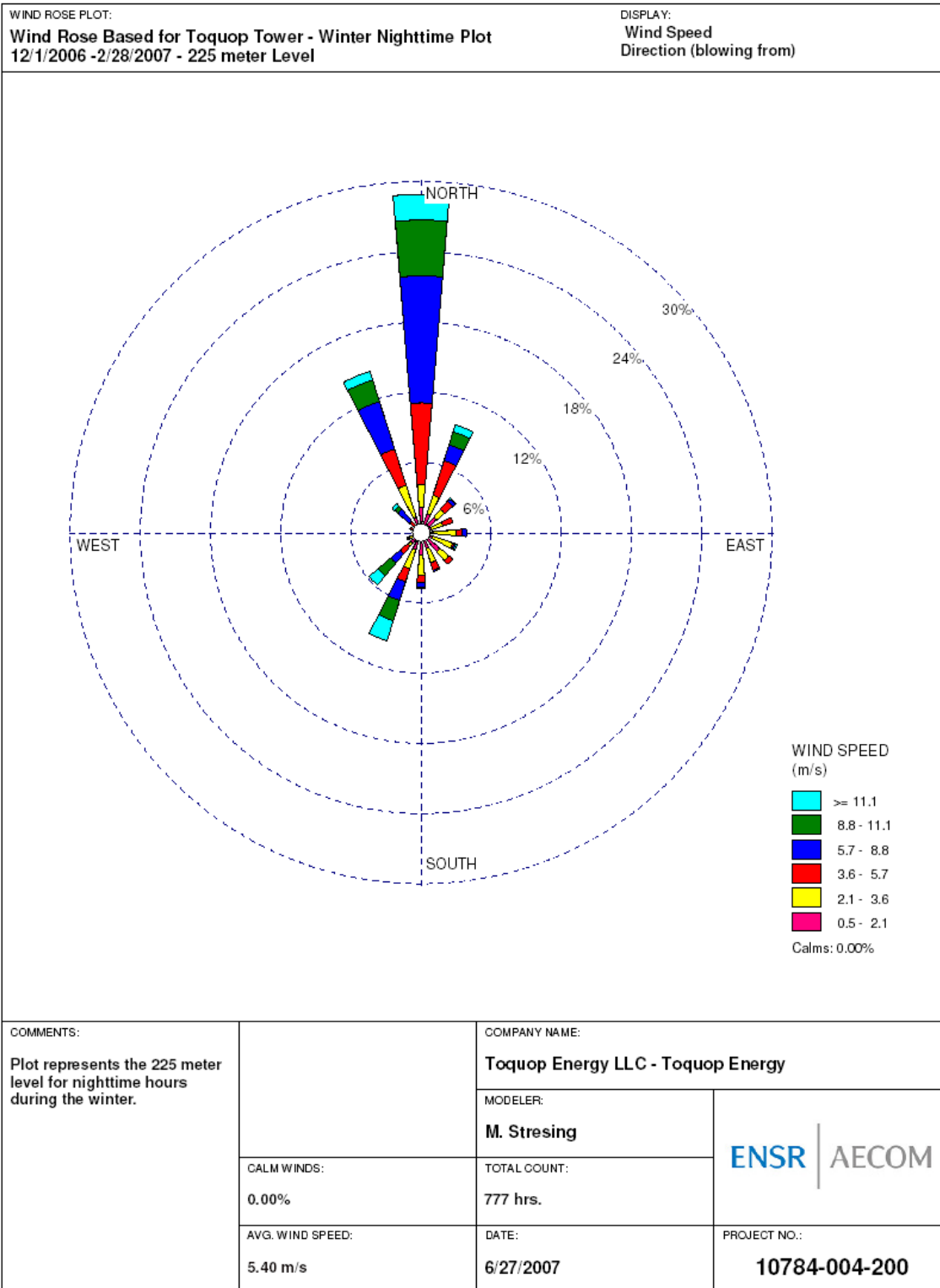












REVISED FEDERAL LAND MANAGERS GUIDANCE ON SCREENING PROCEDURES FOR A CLASS I MODELING BACKGROUND SOURCES INVENTORY

APRIL 2006

Class I Cumulative Increment Inventory: Guidance for determining the increment-consuming/expanding sources to include in the Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) analysis.

The federal land managing agencies that administer Class I areas under the Clean Air Act (i.e., National Park Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Forest Service, hereafter referred to as the Agencies) revisited concerns about including all PSD increment-consuming and expanding sources in cumulative increment analyses for Class I areas. The Agencies have turned to the PSD regulations, the New Source Review Workshop Manual, and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (USEPA's) specific guidance to determine how cumulative increment analyses should be conducted for Class I areas, and specifically which sources should be included in the inventory.

Increment-Consuming/Expanding Sources

The PSD regulations lay the foundation for conducting an increment analysis. An important step in the analysis is determining which emission sources should be included as increment-consuming or expanding sources. Both major sources and major modifications, which require a PSD permit to construct, and minor sources, which do not, can consume increment. However, the inclusion of minor sources in an increment consumption analysis is dependent on whether or not the Minor Source Baseline Date (MiSBD) has been triggered for the area(s) of concern. When the MiSBD is triggered by virtue of a significant impact from a major stationary source (or major modification) having submitted a complete application for a PSD permit, an associated baseline area is established. Baseline areas are defined in 40 Code of Federal Regulations 51.166 paragraph (b)(15)(i):

(b)(15)(i) Baseline area means any intrastate area (and every part thereof) designated as attainment or unclassifiable under Section 107(d) (1) (D) or (E) of the Act in which the major source or major modification establishing the minor source baseline date would construct or would have an air quality impact equal to or greater than 1 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ (annual average) of the pollutant for which the minor source baseline date is established.

Thus, the MiSBD for each of the Section 107 area(s) that include all or part of a Class I area determines the minor source baseline date for that part of the Class I area. These are the *only* MiSBD relevant to the Class I area of concern.¹ If the MiSBD has been triggered for the Section 107 area(s) in which the Class I area is located, then minor sources from any such area should be evaluated to determine if their emissions significantly impact that portion of the Class I area and need to be included in the increment consumption analysis. In addition to the changes at major sources after the Major Source Baseline Date (MaSBD) described below, emission increases or decreases that occur at all sources after the Class I MiSBD are

¹ See attached 4/5/99 EPA memo.

included in the analyses. (This includes ALL sources, not just minors, and ANY change in actual emissions should be captured, not just those associated with a physical change or change in method of operation.)

Guidance on increment-consuming sources is provided by USEPA's New Source Review Workshop Manual (Chapter C, II.E):

Emissions increases that consume a portion of the applicable increment are, in general, all those not accounted for in the baseline concentration and specifically include

- *actual emissions increases occurring after the **major source baseline date**, which are associated with physical changes or changes in the method of operation (i.e., construction) at a major stationary source; and*
- *actual emissions increases at any stationary source, area source, or mobile source occurring after the **minor source baseline date**.*

So, the first bullet applies to major stationary sources before the MiSBD has been triggered, while the second applies to all sources after it has been triggered.

In many situations, a Class I area may reside in several Section 107 areas, and it is possible that not all parts of every Class I area are located in a Section 107 area in which the MiSBD has been triggered. While major sources consume increment in affected Section 107 areas after the MaSBD, minor sources consume increment in the portion(s) of the Class I area only where the MiSBD has been triggered. In those portions of the Class I area located in Section 107 areas that are not minor source baseline areas, minor sources would not consume increment. It is possible then, for certain minor sources to consume increment in some portions of a Class I area and not consume increment in other portions of the same Class I area. In this situation, two inventories would need to be developed for a Class I analysis. For those sections of the Class I area where the MiSBD has not been triggered, only major sources that have undergone a physical or operational change after the MaSBD would be included in the inventory. A second inventory including major *and* minor sources would need to be compiled for those sections of the Class I area where the MiSBD has been triggered. Different dates may apply for individual baseline areas when more than one exists for a particular Class I area.

Next, the Class I area would be subdivided into areas where the MiSBD has been triggered and where it has not, and the actual baseline dates for each triggered Section 107 area would be determined. A Class I increment-consumption modeling analyses would be completed for each subdivision, using the appropriate inventory and MiSBD.

For example, Dolly Sods, Otter Creek and James River Face Wildernesses each are in portions of two Section 107 areas. Shenandoah National Park is in portions of eight Section 107 areas. The first step in conducting an increment analysis for these four Class I areas would be to determine in which of the Section 107 areas in which they are located has a MiSBD been triggered, and if so, for which pollutant(s). If the MiSBD has been triggered, the relevant date needs to be determined for each pollutant. Next, emissions inventories for the pollutants of concern would need to be compiled and an increment analysis conducted based on the methodology described above.

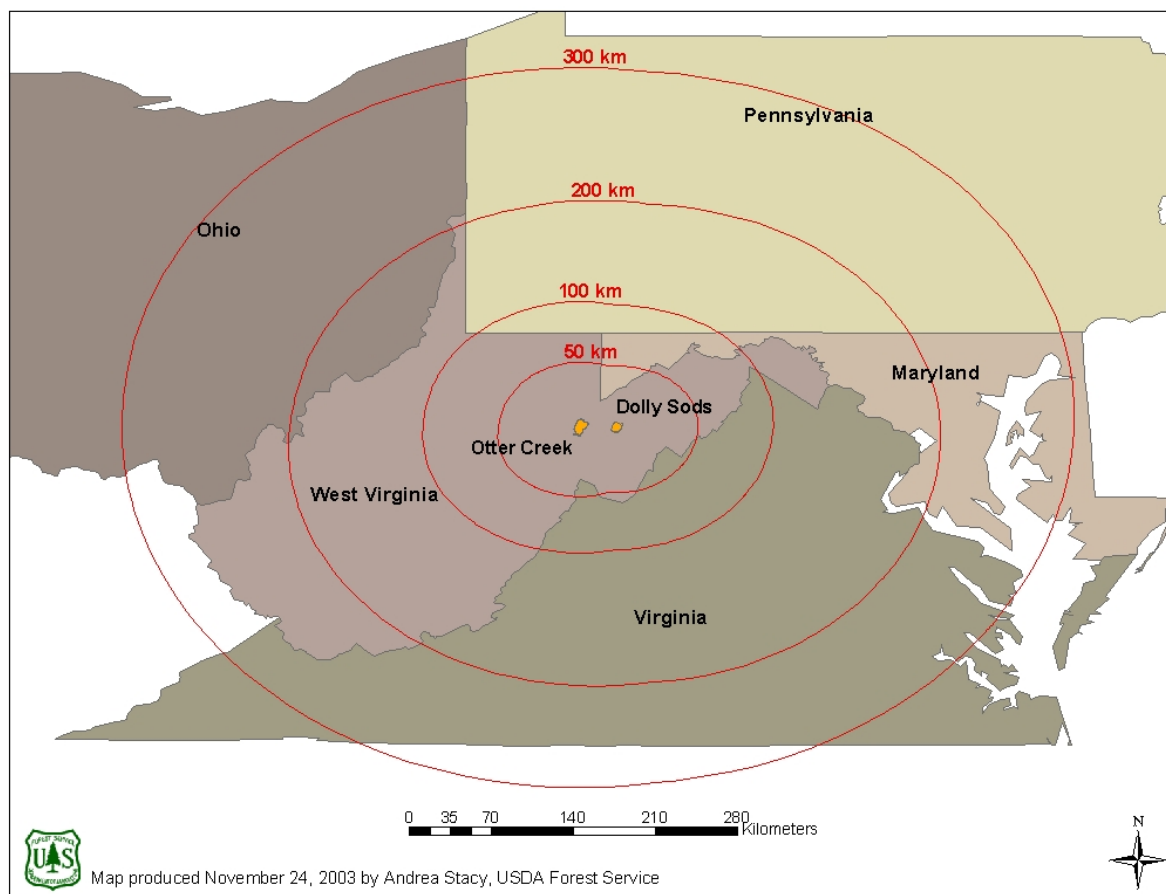
The Geographic Extent of Source Inventories

The Agencies believe that the geographic extent of the source inventory (in essence the modeling domain) must be based on Class I areas of concern, rather than the location of the proposed facility. (See Figure 1.) The following recommendations provide a size vs. distance approach where smaller increment-consuming stationary sources² are included only when they are located near the Class I areas. The recommendations are detailed as follows:

- a. A stationary source will be included in the inventory if annual actual PM10 emissions in tons per year exceed 0.3 times the distance to the Class I area in km, or SO2 or NOx emissions in tons per year exceed 0.8 times the distance to the Class I area in km.
- b. At the Agencies' discretion, the cumulative inventory may eliminate sources beyond 50 km that are on the opposite side of the Class I area from the stationary source in question. This recognizes that distant stationary sources on the opposite side may or may not have a combined cumulative effect in the Class I area on any given day.
- c. The cumulative inventory may include large stationary sources that are located at distances of 200 km to 300 km from the Class I areas.
- d. Area and mobile sources within 50 km of the Class I area should be included if the local air pollution control authority concludes that there is a potential for changes in emissions from these sources to affect increment.

² A "stationary source" means any building, structure, facility, or installation which emits or may emit any air pollutant subject to regulation under the Act.

**Figure 1 Recommended Basic Geographic Extent for a “Gradient” Cumulative Source Inventory
Based on the Class I Areas as the Center**



ATTACHMENT 8A-2
RESPONSES TO BAPC MODELING REVIEW – APRIL 2007

**Responses to NDEP Modeling Review for the Toquop Energy Project
April 6, 2007**

**ENSR Corporation, on behalf of Sithe Global
July 9, 2007**

The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection – Bureau of Air Pollution Control (NDEP BAPC) reviewed the Class I and Class II Modeling Protocol and Report submitted by Toquop Energy, LLC (Toquop) on February 12, 2007, and provided comments dated April 6, 2007. As stated by the NDEP, this review was conducted to identify any areas where the modeling protocol or report required additional comment or clarification.

The comments are reproduced below, along with our responses in *italics*. The final modeling submittal (provided separately) based upon the on-site meteorological data program that ended on April 30, 2007, addresses each of these comments, as appropriate.

Class II Protocol

The review began with the portion of Appendix 12-B titled Air Quality Dispersion Modeling Protocol (Revised) – Class II Area Impacts and Appendix A Responses to NDEP Comments on the Toquop Class II Modeling Protocol.

Appendix A Comments

1. ENSR's response to NDEP comment 1. Raw on-site and St. George meteorological data were not included on the modeling files CD included with this submittal.

Response: Raw on-site data is included in the final modeling archive in the "onsite met data" folder. St. George cloud cover data is also included in the modeling archive in the "cloud cover" folder.

2. ENSR's response to NDEP comment 3. The modeling report does not identify which data were disqualified from the on-site meteorological data set.

Response: Wind field plots (time vs. height) were created for every day of the measurement period. The plots were then printed and visually inspected. Data values that showed a large deviation from those of neighboring values in height and time were subject to disqualification. Wind field plots for every day of the monitoring period are included in the Class II modeling archive in "onsite data" folder and "4.impage files and animations" subfolder. A separate document called "Readme - Onsite Data QA Procedures.doc" discusses how the wind fields were generated and is included in the modeling archive.

3. NDEP comment 5. The precipitation data and calculations used to evaluate the Bowen ratio were not included in the protocol or report, only a table indicating whether the months were average, wet, or dry was shown. The spreadsheet included on the CD under the AERMET subdirectory presents data and calculations from Cedar City, Utah.

Response: We used Overton, NV as the COOP station to evaluate the site's Bowen ratio. The precipitation data is included in the modeling archive in the "precipitation data" folder. Any reference to the previous use of Cedar City, UT has been removed.

4. NDEP comments 9 and 10. Toquop needs to include the NPS-approved PSD screening procedure and BLM EIS references in the modeling protocol and report.

Response: The NPS-approved procedures for screening background sources are included in an appendix of the Class II modeling report (Appendix 8A of the permit application). BLM EIS is provided in the reference section of the report. The reference also is listed below:

Bureau of Land Management. 2003. Proposed Toquop Land Disposal Amendment to the Caliente Management Framework Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Toquop Energy Project, 2003. United States Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management.

Class II Protocol Comments

1. Section 3.2.2 Justify why hourly meteorological observations (i.e. cloud cover) from St. George, Utah are deemed representative of conditions at the application site. A comparison of long-term climate data (monthly precipitation) and monitoring site geography (elevation, surrounding land forms, vegetation) would be appropriate. St. George appears to be at a higher elevation in more mountainous terrain and within a different eco-region that receives more annual rainfall than the proposed application site. Toquop needs to evaluate whether other surface stations are more representative of the application site meteorology.

Provide the St. George surface data files. This data is not on the CD, as an input file was not found. Visual inspection of the on-site data provided on the CD shows that cloud cover and solar radiation don't always track as well as expected.

Response: We reviewed NOAA Climate Atlas data such as isopleths of annual mean sunshine hours, annual mean clear days and cloudy days (provided in an appendix of the Class II modeling report) which supports our use of St. George, Utah as a representative site for cloud cover observations.

The primary reason for selecting St. George for cloud cover data is proximity to the meteorology site. St. George airport is about 40 miles east of the monitoring site. The next closest candidate is Nellis AFB, but it is much further away at about 70 miles southwest of the site. Elevation is another concern. Nellis AFB elevation is about 2000 feet, while the site elevation is about 2800 feet and St. George is at 2880 feet. The Mormon Mountains with elevations above 7400 feet lie west of the monitoring site. The Mormon Range in Utah lies west of St. George.

Precipitation is another indicator of representative cloud cover. Precipitation records indicate that St. George and Mesquite receive about 6 inches of rain each year and Las Vegas receives only about 4.2 inches per year. So this would also indicate that cloud cover from St. George would be more representative than that from near Las Vegas.

St. George cloud cover data also is included in the modeling archive in the “cloud cover” folder.

2. Section 3.2.3 Provide a reference documenting the use of visual inspection for reasonableness and consistency as a basis for disqualification of data. Define and quantify what constitutes an unreasonable or inconsistent reading. Identify all disqualified data and provide the raw on-site meteorological data. Quantify the data capture rate of the raw data, as well as the capture rate following disqualification of some data.

Response: *See the response to this comment under item 2 of “Appendix A Comments”.*

First, we plotted wind fields and visually inspected them, and then we used meteorological judgment to disqualify erroneous wind speed or wind direction.

Raw on-site data is provided in the modeling archive in “onsite met data” folder and the edited on-site data is provided in the “AERMET” folder, in “onsite_06_07.dat” file.

3. Section 3.2.3 Wind roses are provided at the 10-m and 200-m levels. Provide a wind rose at the 225-m level consistent with the top of the stack. Given the fact the 10-m capture rate is greater than 99% and the 200-m capture rate (based on the information provided on the wind rose plots) is approximately 75%, the statement that the low-level nocturnal drainage flow is absent at the 200m level is unfounded and cannot be supported by the data presented. This comment also applies to the discussion of wind patterns being influenced by the synoptic pattern and valley itself, made in section 3.2.2. The Data Period information presented on the wind rose plots needs to be corrected.

Response: *Additional levels for wind roses, including the 225-m level, are provided in the modeling report and archive to better characterize the wind characteristics as a function of height. The updated wind roses are provided for the entire year of monitoring, with the data period described labeled appropriately.*

4. Section 3.2.4 AERMOD requires additional meteorological data beyond wind speed, direction, and temperature, as stated. Clarify the first paragraph of this section. Provide the aerial photos or a land use map used to evaluate the surface parameters. Reference the definition of desert shrubland. Figure 3-5 presents a topographic map and does not demonstrate land use. The discussion of weighted-average input boundary layer parameters to AERMET is confusing in light of the fact of uniform land use surrounding the site. Discuss the surface parameters in light of the use of one sector and a single land use. Please remove the references to weighted averages. Explain how land use classification can be made by inspecting topographic maps. The error in Table 3-4 under column Wet/Summer for the desert shrubland row needs to be corrected. See NDEP Comment 5 under Appendix A Comments. Include the values used in the calculations in Table 3-5. The values presented in Table 3-6 are not reflected by the stage 3 input file included on the CD under the AERMET subdirectory.

Response: *The first paragraph of Section 3.2.4 was revised.*

Figures A8-2, A8-3, and A8-5 of the Class II modeling report depict the onsite tower surrounding area. The figures show that predominant land use is desert shrubland. Additionally, we created a Figure A8-9 which is based on the USGS land use and land cover grid data files. Figure A8-9 shows that the on-site tower

falls in the USGS land use classification type of 31 to 33, which could be any of the following sub-categories: herbaceous rangeland (31), or shrub and brush rangeland (32), or mixed rangeland (33).

The 52-category USGS land use classification system can be found at <http://courses.washington.edu/urbdp467/html/classify.html>

As noted in the response to the next comment, we corrected a reference to weighted averages for surface characteristics (this is normally needed for heterogeneous sites, but is equivalent to selecting the single value for a site with only one land use type).

The error noted in Table 3-4 was corrected, and additional document, such as Overton, NV precipitation records, supporting the calculations in Table 3-5 are presented in the modeling archive in the “precipitation data” folder. The surface roughness, albedo, and Bowen ratio values presented in Table 3-6 were updated for the full year modeling.

5. Section 3.2.5 Toquop needs to remove references to weighted-average input parameters, as identified in comment for Section 3.2.4.

Response: *We updated the document to remove this reference.*

6. Section 3.5.1 – the receptor grid must include all areas adjacent to the facility that do not have access limited by a physical barrier such as a fenceline. Patrolled areas do not meet the NDEP requirement for a physical barrier. The receptor grid needs to be modified appropriately.

Response: *The property boundary will have a physical barrier (fence) to restrict public access. This physical barrier will be located where the current receptor grid's fence line is defined as shown in Figures 3-6 and 3-8 of the Appendix 12B “Revised” modeling protocol.*

7. Section 4.3 Provide a reference for the screening procedure, as identified in Appendix A.

Response: *We included the document regarding National Park Service-recommended background inventory screening procedures in the report appendix.*

8. Add a discussion regarding the use of emission estimates for short-and long-term averaging periods (i.e., explain what emission rates will be used to model for 3-hr, 8-hr, and 24-hr averaging periods versus emission estimates used for annual averaging periods) for the three types of model runs conducted. A table presenting these data in pounds per hour, tons per year, and grams per second would be helpful in understanding how emissions were used in modeling.

Response: *A table of modeled emissions was included in Appendix 8A of the PSD application (see Tables 8A-10 through 8A-15). See the response to item 9 under “Class II Modeling Report” below for a more detailed discussion.*

Class I Protocol

Appendix 12-A titled Air Quality Dispersion Modeling Protocol (Revised) – Class I and Sensitive Class II Area Impacts was also briefly reviewed. Technical review of this document was left to the Federal Land Managers.

Class I Protocol Comments

1. Appendix C is mis-labeled as Appendix B.

Response: *This has been corrected.*

Modeling Reports and CD

The final portions of Toquop Energy Project Class I-B Operation Permit to Construct Application I reviewed were Appendix 8A Class II Modeling Report and the accompanying CD with electronic files used for the modeling. Electronic files were given only minor scrutiny as these are subject to change with the final permit application.

Response: *No response required.*

Comments are detailed below, some of which duplicate comments on Air Quality Dispersion Modeling Protocol (Revised) – Class II Area Impacts.

Class II Modeling Report

1. Sections 8A.3.2.2 and 8A.3.2.5 – the discussion of weighted-average input boundary layer parameters to AERMET is confusing in light of the fact of uniform land use surrounding the site. Discuss the surface parameters in light of the use of one sector.

Response: *We updated our discussion to remove the reference “weighted-average” input and formulated the discussion around the uniform use to desert shrubland for the entire application area.*

2. Section 8A.3.2.3 Provide a justification for the use of hourly meteorological observations (i.e. cloud cover) from St. George, Utah and why they are deemed representative of conditions at the application site. A comparison of long-term climate data (monthly precipitation) and monitoring site geography (elevation, surrounding land forms, vegetation) would be appropriate. It may be that other surface stations are more representative of the application site meteorology. I don't see the St. George data set or an input file calling it. Provide the St. George surface data files. This data is not on the CD.

Response: *See the response to this comment under item 1 of “Class II Protocol Comments”.*

3. Explain why solar radiation values in the single digits occur during hours of darkness for many days. Should these be set to zero if there is an instrument problem?

Response: We also noticed that some of the solar radiation values in the onsite meteorological data are greater than 0.0 Wm^{-2} at night. Because this seemed to be occurring over a large portion of the data period, it was determined that setting the values to 0.0 Wm^{-2} would be a tedious task that could potentially introduce an error associated with daily estimates of sunrise and sunset hours. Therefore, we conducted a sensitivity test to determine if having nighttime insolation values greater than zero would affect boundary parameters in the surface file. These tests are located in the modeling archive in the "Insolation Test Cases" folder. The tests confirmed that AERMET does not use nighttime solar radiation for calculating boundary parameters; therefore, the data was left unchanged to avoid a large manual editing process.

4. The BAPC cannot determine if the file onsite_06.dat is the raw on-site data or if it has been manipulated?

Response: Raw on-site data is provided in modeling archive in "onsite met data" folder and the edited on-site data is provided in the "AERMET" folder, in "onsite_06_07.dat" file.

5. Section 8A.3.2.4 Describe the data substitution procedures followed to fill in missing data. Identify any data subject to disqualification. BAPC will need to review the graphical plots used to identify the disqualified data. See also comments on Sections 3.2.3 of the Class II protocol given above.

Response: Missing on-site data was not filled. See the response to this comment under item 2 of "Appendix A Comments".

6. Justify changing the surface data variable bounds for wind speed, standard deviation of the horizontal wind direction, and standard deviation of the w-component of wind speed. If this is done to accommodate the SODAR data, perhaps a separate stage 1 AERMET run could be performed to aid evaluation of the tower data separately from the SODAR data. Also explain why the upper and lower bounds are not included in sky cover.

Response: In the stage 1 AERMET input file, we specified reasonable lower and upper bounds for each measured parameter to minimize the number of warning messages written to the AERMET error file. The upper limits for wind speed, sigma theta and sigma w represent actual measurements, especially at the 500-m level.

We included the upper and lower bounds for sky cover.

7. Section 8A.3.2.5 Correct error in Table 8A-4. See comments on Section 3.2.4 of the Class II protocol.

Response: We corrected the Bowen ratio value for summer, wet conditions to 1.5.

8. Section 8A.3.5.1 See comment on Section 3.5.1 of the Class II protocol.

Response: No response required.

9. Section 8A.4 Include a discussion of how emissions from units that operate only a portion of the year were addressed in the modeling. Include in the discussion reference to Tables 8A-11, 8A-12, and 8A-13. Why does the 3-hr SO_2 input file have emission rates higher than those described as the maximum emission

rates in the text and as listed in Table 8A-9? How are emissions for short term (1-hr, 3-hr, 8-hr, and 24-hr) averaging periods determined and what do they represent? BAPC requires that maximum hourly emission rates be utilized for these averaging periods.

Response: *The emissions listed in Table 8A-9 are representative of maximum annual project emissions for informational purposes. Please note that Appendix 5 of the PSD application contains detailed emission calculations for all the modeled sources. Modeled emissions were based on the following formulation:*

- *For all CO modeling, maximum hourly emissions from each source were modeled to assess impacts for both the 1-hour and 8-hour averaging periods.*
- *For all NO_x modeling, annual average emissions were used to assess impacts for the annual averaging period.*
- *For short-term (3-hour and 24-hour) SO₂ modeling, impacts were assessed by using the averaging period specific emission rate for the main boiler and maximum hourly emissions from the additional ancillary equipment.*
- *For annual SO₂ modeling, impacts were assessed by using annual average emissions from the main boiler and the ancillary equipment.*
- *For short-term and annual PM₁₀ modeling, impacts for both averaging periods were assessed using the maximum hourly emission rates for all sources due to the long run duration.*

10. Section 8A.5.1 Toquop Energy Project is located in HA 222 not 61 Lower. The adjacent basins are 205, 220, 221, 223, and 224, not HA 51, 61 Upper, or 71.

Response: *These specifications have been corrected in the updated PSD Class II modeling report.*

11. Add a discussion regarding peak project impacts occurring west of the facility. This should complement the discussion of the impacts to the NNE. Do these impacts occur in the refined hill top receptors?

Response: *We added this discussion in the final PSD Class II modeling report.*

12. Section 8A.5.3.1 Provide the electronic spreadsheet with a list of all sources for the cumulative modeling. Add the source identifier used in the modeling files to Tables 8A-27 through 8A-29. What is the significance of the bolded text in these tables?

Response: *We included source identifier in the tables. There is no significance to the bolded sources. It is just a word processing artifact that was corrected (removed).*

13. Section 8A.5.4.5 Scheffe screening section 0.092 ppm is not less than 0.0125 ppm. Re-interpret this statement and/or correct this error. The Ozone Air Quality Standard is 0.125 ppm.

Response: *We corrected the Ozone Air Quality Standard to be 0.125 ppm.*

Class I Modeling Comments

The Class I Modeling report was briefly reviewed; however, technical review is left to the Federal Land Managers.

Response: *No response required. We will keep the department advised of our communications with the FLMs and invite participation in any conference calls that we plan. There was a conference call with the National Park Service on May 11, 2007 during which the NPS indicated general acceptance of the modeling procedures and results. The NPS also indicated that they need a draft permit and other supporting documents at least 60 days prior to a public hearing on the draft permit. Sithe Global will continue to provide permit application information in a timely manner to expedite the NDEP review so that this information can be provided to the NPS for their review.*

ATTACHMENT 8A-3
RESPONSES TO BAPC MODELING REVIEW – NOVEMBER 2007

**Responses to Nevada DEP Modeling Review for the Toquop Energy Project
Dated October 18, 2007**

**ENSR Corporation, on behalf of Sithe Global
November 5, 2007**

The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection – Bureau of Air Pollution Control (NDEP BAPC) reviewed the Class II modeling submittal provided by Toquop Energy, LLC (Toquop) in July 2007, and provided comments dated October 18, 2007. As stated by the NDEP, this review provided comments to the modeling protocol and report sections of the operating permit to construct application for Toquop.

The comments are reproduced below, along with our responses in italics. The updated PSD Class II modeling submittal (provided in Appendix 8A in early November 2007) incorporates our responses to these comments in the procedures used.

We have numbered the NDEP comments for better ease of reference. Please see numbered NDEP comments and preliminary ENSR responses below.

NDEP Comment #1:

Appendix 12-B Air Dispersion Modeling Protocol (Revised) – Class II Area Impacts (Protocol) is dated February 2007 and includes Appendix A, Responses to NDEP Comments on the Toquop Class II Modeling Protocol. The Protocol was not modified except by the addition of Appendix A. Appendix A of the Protocol responds to comments submitted by NDEP in a letter to Bruce MacDonald, ENSR, dated January 26, 2007. However, the Protocol does not address comments submitted by NDEP in a letter to Dirk Strausfeld, Toquop Energy, LLC, dated April 6, 2007. A response (Responses to Nevada DEP Modeling Review for the Toquop Energy Project, dated April 6, 2007) to the April NDEP letter was emailed to NDEP by Bob Paine, ENSR, on May 3, 2007. A modified version of these responses, dated July 9, 2007, is included in Appendix 8 as Attachment 8A-2 Responses to BAPC Modeling Review. Given the significance of this project and the public scrutiny expected, NDEP requests the Protocol be modified to incorporate the proposed changes into the Protocol text (i.e. not as appendices to the application) and the Protocol be submitted for formal approval as a stand-alone document. Although not required specifically, a formal approval of the Protocol would round out the record.

ENSR response:

ENSR has provided an updated modeling protocol that reflects the most up-to-date modeling procedures.

NDEP Comment #2:

Appendix 8A Class II Modeling Report

8A.3.2.3 Available Meteorological Data for AERMOD

It's not clear how the cloud cover data were incorporated into the meteorological data processing. The AerMet input file only calls the on-site met data and Desert Rock upper air data files. Were these data blended into the on-site met file?

The explanation and rationale used to justify the use of St George cloud cover data provides NDEP with the clarification needed to support the use of these data. However, the report mis-states annual average rainfall at St George, which is in excess of 8 inches, while annual average rainfall at Overton, chosen as representative of precipitation at the facility, is approximately 4½ inches. NDEP recommends use of a southern Nevada site for cloud cover data more representative of the application site, a conclusion supported by the figures included in Justification for Selecting St George, Arizona, for Toquop Site Cloud Cover Data of Attachment 8A-1 of the Class II Modeling Report.

ENSR Response:

The hourly cloud cover data was directly included in the on-site data file as opposed to using an external NWS file in AERMET. The revised modeling will provide the cloud cover in a separate input file, as requested by the NDEP.

ENSR agrees that there is a typographical error in the statement of the annual average precipitation data for St. George (8 inches as opposed 6 inches). However, as we discussed on our conference call of October 23, 2007, we jointly agree that St. George is more representative of cloud cover for the Toquop site than a southern Nevada site (for example, Las Vegas, which is probably the next most representative and reliable source). We refer to climatological maps in our updated Appendix 8A report. Overton was agreed upon for precipitation by NDEP because all parties agreed it was the closest and most representative of the project site. If cloud cover was available for Overton it would have been selected given the data capture was sufficient. However Overton is just a COOP site and does not measure cloud cover. Therefore, St. George was selected as the next best alternative.

NDEP Comment #3:

Table 8A-7 Monthly Input Boundary Layer Parameters has numerous errors. Please submit a corrected version including a new column identifying whether the month was wet, dry, or average.

ENSR Response:

ENSR notes that while the report table needs to be corrected, the modeling files are not affected. The requested column is included in the revised Appendix 8A document.

NDEP Comment #4:

Table 8A-8 Highest Monitored Background Concentrations has long-term concentrations listed as annual, while they represent a 13-month period. Recalculate the long-term concentrations on an annual basis to represent the maximum annual concentration within the 13-month data collection period.

ENSR Response:

ENSR discussed this issue with the NDEP during a conference call on October 23, 2007. We agreed that ENSR should select a contiguous 365-day period after reviewing the available on-site meteorological data capture. Our review of the data indicates that the period of April 20, 2006 through April 19, 2007 has data capture that is equivalent to or better than other choices of a 365-day period, so it was selected for annual average modeling.

In addition ENSR has revised the annual ambient background concentrations listed in Table 8A-8 to reflect a single 12-month annual average as opposed to a 13-month average.

NDEP Comment #5:

8A.4 Characterization of Emissions for Modeling

This section states "annual emissions as modeled conservatively assume a 100 percent capacity factor with short-term emission rates, including SO₂." However, input files for SO₂ indicate variable SO₂ main boiler emissions depending on the averaging period. NDEP cannot reconcile how the main boiler emission rates are greater than the hourly rate at 100 percent load as shown on Table 8A-11 and the model input files. Sithe/Toquop needs to explain the apparent discrepancy or re-run the model.

In addition, the statement quoted above conflicts directly with the statement later in this section "For the combustion sources, maximum hourly emission rates were used to assess modeled impacts for short-term averaging periods (24-hours or less) while the annual utilization of the unit was factored into the emission rate for modeled impacts on an annual average basis." NDEP needs clarification as to whether the later statement only applies to those units operated intermittently through the year. If this is the case, Sithe/Toquop needs to

clarify the text to reflect this situation. A table of all sources showing the emission rates used for short-term versus long-term averaging periods would be helpful.

ENSR Response:

ENSR has discussed this issue with the NDEP. There are different SO₂ emission rates for the main boiler for 3-hour, 24-hour, and annual average that are being separately modeled and which will become permit conditions. This will be more clearly explained in the revised Appendix 8A document.

In addition, some sources operate only a few hours a day. ENSR has agreed to model these at maximum hourly emissions only during the hours of the day that these sources are likely to operate. As explained in the revised Appendix 8A, ENSR has selected, when appropriate for some sources, operating hours during the day that are likely to have the most restrictive dispersion conditions.

NDEP Comment #6:

Tables 8A-10 and -11

Table 8A-10 lists the NO_x and SO₂ emissions in tons per year and the numbers are not equal, however Table 8A-11 lists the same hourly emission rates. Sithe/Toquop needs to explain how the higher, short term SO₂ number was derived and to further clarify and identify the implementation of modeling emission rates differing from PSD emission rates.

ENSR Response:

Our response to NDEP Comment #5 also applies to this comment. In addition, it should be noted that the hourly emission rates listed for SO₂ and NO_x are for the 24-hour average only, and the SO₂ emission rate for the main stack varies by averaging time, while this is not the case for NO_x emissions.

NDEP Comment #7:

Tables 8A-12 through -16

NDEP requires modeling for short-term averaging periods of fugitive particulate sources to use the hourly emission rates, not daily average emission rates. The conservative modeling approach using hourly emission rates identifies potential exceedences of short-term averaging period NAAQS, especially 3-hour and 24-hour averages for SO₂. Provide a list of those sources which were modeled using the daily average emission rates and tabulate the hourly emission rates for comparison. NDEP may require additional model runs with hourly emission rates upon evaluation of the requested data.

ENSR Response:

This issue was addressed in the response to NDEP Comment #5.

NDEP Comment #8:

8A.5.1 PSD Class II Significant Impact Analysis

It is NDEP's understanding that Sithe/Toquop has conducted these modeling runs with a full year of on-site data. The text needs to be modified to indicate that this is the case.

ENSR Response:

NDEP's understanding is correct. ENSR will clarify the discussion in a revised Appendix 8A.

NDEP Comment #9:

Figures 8A-11 AerMod Receptor Grid and -14 Location of Maximum Project Impacts

Visual inspection of the hill receptor grid suggests that the maximum 3-hour SO₂ impact occurs in an area of incomplete refined grid coverage. Include a figure showing the maximum impacts in relationship to the receptor grids. Upon review of the requested information, NDEP may request additional model runs with a refined grid in the areas of maximum impacts.

ENSR Response:

ENSR will overlay the receptor grid onto Figure 8A-14. If the 3-hour SO₂ impacts fall outside of the refined receptors on the hill, a refined receptor grid can be used in additional model runs as suggested by the NDEP. However, it turns out, as discussed in Appendix 8A, that additional model runs are not necessary.

NDEP Comment #10:

8A.5.3 Assessment of Compliance with NAAQS and PSD Increments

Identify those receptors where total impacts exceed 75 percent of a NAAQS or PSD Increment. NDEP also requests figures showing these locations and the resulting refined grid. If no receptors have these impacts, delete the appropriate portions of the text.

ENSR Response:

As shown in the results tables in the revised Appendix 8A, all NAAQS and PSD increment results are less than 75 percent of their respective standards. Therefore ENSR will remove the statement about additional refined receptors.

NDEP Comment #11:

8A.5.3.1 Background Source Inventory

Sithe/Toquop needs to clarify what is meant by a source greater than the SIA plus 50 km.

ENSR Response:

To clarify, this means that if a candidate source's distance from the project site is greater than the calculated SIA plus 50 km, then it will not be considered in the cumulative modeling assessment. The revised Appendix 8A document includes this clarification.

NDEP Comment #12:

Sithe/Toquop needs to document how both short-term and long-term emission rates are represented in the background source inventory. Short-term emission rates should be used as appropriate for NAAQS and PSD Increment modeling.

ENSR Response:

We have used short-term PTE emission rates (as provided by Clark County DAQEM and NDEP) of background sources for short-term and long-term (> 24-hours) PTE rates for long-term modeling. This is mentioned in the revised Appendix 8A document.

NDEP Comment #13:

Sithe/Toquop needs to prepare a figure showing the SIA plus 50 km and the background sources included in the NAAQS and PSD Increment modeling.

The referenced spreadsheet states "include all sources within 56 km of the proposed site for SO₂" and "include all sources with 52 km of the proposed site". The SIA for SO₂ is 8 km and for PM₁₀ is 3 km. Sithe/Toquop needs to ensure all sources within 50 km plus the SIA are included in the background emission inventory and correct the spreadsheets.

ENSR Response:

We have added the requested figure in the revised Appendix 8A report. The list of background sources included in the cumulative modeling is clearly documented in this report and in the spreadsheets provided in the computer modeling archive.

NDEP Comment #14:

The origin for the calculated receptor distances needs to be documented.

ENSR Response:

This issue is clarified in the revised Appendix 8A report; the distances are calculated relative to the location of the Toquop main boiler stack.

**ATTACHMENT 8A-4
AIR QUALITY PERMIT FOR
PRECISION AGGREGATE PRODUCTS, LLC**



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Source: 15694
Modification: 1
Revision: 0

Company Name:	Precision Aggregate Products, LLC
Source Name:	Precision Aggregate Products, LLC
Source Address:	BLM Community Pit near Mesquite, Nevada
Airshed Name:	Virgin Valley
Hydrographic Area:	222
Township, Range, Section:	T 13S, R 71E, Section 20
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SIC Code:	1442: Construction Sand and Gravel 3273: Ready-Mix Concrete Manufacturing
NAICS Code:	212321: Construction Sand and Gravel 327320: Ready-Mix Concrete Manufacturing
Description:	Modification 1 to existing ATC/OP – addition of three conveyors and grammatical correction.
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I ACRONYMS

Acronym	Term
AQR	Clark County Air Quality Regulations
ATC	Authority to Construct Certificate or Authority to Construct
ATC/OP	Authority to Construct/Operating Permit
CE	Control Efficiency
CEM	Continuous Emissions Monitoring System
CF	Control Factor
CFR	United States Code of Federal Regulations
CO	Carbon Monoxide
CPI	Urban Consumer Price Index
DAQEM	Clark County Department of Air Quality & Environmental Management
EF	Emission Factor
EU	Emission Unit
HP	Horse Power
kW	kiloWatt
MMBtu	Millions of British Thermal Units
NAICS	North American Industry Classification System
NEI	Net Emission Increase
NO _x	Nitrogen Oxides
NSPS	New Source Performance Standards
NSR	New Source Review
OP	Operating Permit
PM ₁₀	Particulate Matter less than 10 microns
ppm	Parts per Million
PSD	Prevention of Significant Deterioration
PTE	Potential to Emit
SCC	Source Classification Codes
SIC	Standard Industrial Classification
SIP	State Implementation Plan
SO _x	Sulfur Oxides
TSD	Technical Support Document
VOC	Volatile Organic Compound

II ADMINISTRATIVE

1. Pursuant to the AQR, the Control Officer issues this ATC/OP with conditions to: Precision Aggregate Products LLC, located at the BLM Community Pit near Mesquite, Nevada.
2. This permit modifies, consolidates, supersedes, and replaces any ATC/OP certificates previously issued for this source from the date of issuance of this permit forward.
3. This ATC/OP, or a copy thereof, shall be kept on-site.
4. This ATC/OP does not replace, supersede, or circumvent permitting requirements of any other regulatory agency. This ATC/OP and the requirements herein are based upon the Clark County regulations in place at the time of issuance. To the extent that there may be differences in the requirements of Clark County's regulations in place at the time of permit issuance and the federally-enforceable SIP requirements, DAQEM has attempted to ensure that this ATC/OP satisfies both sets of requirements.
5. Pursuant to AQR Section 4, the Control Officer or his representative may enter into the property, with or without prior notice, at any reasonable time, for the purpose of establishing compliance with the AQR or this permit.
6. The conditions of this permit are severable. If any condition is found to be invalid, then such invalidity shall not affect any other conditions that can be given effect without the invalid condition(s).
7. Pursuant to AQR Sections 12 and 55, any physical change, or any change in operation, which causes, or has the potential to cause a net emissions increase shall obtain an ATC prior to such change.
8. Any increase in a throughput rate or production rate or emission limit in this ATC/OP may require a new performance test.
9. No emission unit, other than those listed in the summary of emission units of this ATC/OP, shall be installed, modified, or operated without an approved ATC issued by the DAQEM.
10. Any changes in control or ownership of the source shall require a transfer of the ATC/OP by the owner/operator to the new owner/operator upon approval by the Control Officer and payment of the required fees.
11. The previous owner/operator shall provide to the new owner/operator all records required to be kept pursuant to this ATC/OP.
12. A partial calendar year annual report and annual actual emissions report shall be sent to DAQEM by the previous owner prior to, or in conjunction with, requesting the transfer of control or ownership. Previous owner/operator shall be primarily liable for fees and obligations incurred prior to the request for transfer of ownership. The new owner/operator may be liable for fees and obligations incurred by the previous owner prior to the transfer of ownership if the previous owner/operator fails to remit. The new owner/operator shall be liable for fees and obligations after the transfer of ownership.
13. If the owner/operator closes the business or an individual source, then a final annual report and annual actual emissions report shall be sent to DAQEM not less than 30

days prior to closure in addition to requesting that the permit be archived. Owner/operator shall be held liable for fees and obligations incurred prior to the request to archive.

14. Pursuant to AQR Section 43, this source shall be operated in a manner such that odors will not cause a nuisance.
15. Violation of any conditions of this ATC/OP may subject the owner/operator to enforcement action that may include, but is not limited to, a CAO, NOV, Compliance Schedule, Stop Order, or federal enforcement action.
16. The Control Officer reserves the right, upon reasonable cause, to modify existing conditions and impose additional new compliance, monitoring and control requirements.

III EMISSION UNITS

A LIST OF EMISSION UNITS

TABLE III-A-1: Emission Unit List

EU	Description	SCC	Throughput			PM ₁₀ EF ³ (lbs/ton)	Moisture Control ²	PTE PM ₁₀			Type ₁
			tons/ hour	tons/ day	tons/ year			lbs/ hr	lbs/ day	tons/ year	
A01	Mining and Excavation	30502513	250	2,500	350,000	0.08	0.047	0.94	9.40	0.66	P1
A02	Loader to Grizzly Feeder ⁴	30502505	250	2,500	350,000	(Included in A01)		---	---	---	DM
A03	Grizzly Feeder to Conveyor 1	30502503	250	2,500	350,000	0.01	0.047	0.12	1.18	0.08	P1
A03a ⁵	Conveyor 1 to Conveyor 1a	30502503	250	2,500	350,000	0.01	0.047	0.12	1.18	0.08	DM
A04	Conveyor 1a to Scalping Screen	30502503	250	2,500	350,000	(Included in A05)		---	---	---	DM
A05	Scalping Screen	30502511	250	2,500	350,000	0.08	0.047	0.94	9.40	0.66	P1
A06	Scalping Screen to Conveyor 2	30502503	88	880	123,200	(Included in A05)		---	---	---	DM
A07	Conveyor 2 to Impact Crusher	30502503	88	880	123,200	(Included in A08)		---	---	---	DM
A08	Impact Crusher	30502510	100	1,000	140,000	0.13	0.047	0.61	6.11	0.43	P1
A09	Impact Crusher to Conveyor 3	30502503	100	1,000	140,000	(Included in A08)		---	---	---	DM
A10	Conveyor 3 to Conveyor 4	30502503	100	1,000	140,000	0.01	0.047	0.05	0.47	0.03	DM
A11	Scalping Screen to Conveyor 4	30502503	150	1,500	210,000	(Included in A05)		---	---	---	DM
A12	Conveyor 4 to Deck Screen	30502503	250	2,500	350,000	(Included in A13)		---	---	---	DM
A13	Deck Screen	30502511	338	3,380	473,200	0.08	0.047	1.27	12.71	0.89	P1
A14	Deck Screen to Conveyor 6	30500503	12	120	16,800	(Included in A13)		---	---	---	DM
A15	Conveyor 6 to Impact Crusher	30502503	12	120	16,800	(Included in A08)		---	---	---	DM
A16	Deck Screen to Cone Crusher	30502503	88	880	123,200	(Included in A17)		---	---	---	DM

A17	Cone Crusher	30502510	88	880	123,200	0.13	0.047	0.54	5.38	0.38	P1
A18	Cone Crusher to Conveyor 5a	30502503	88	880	123,200	(Included in A17)		---	---	---	DM
A18a ⁵	Conveyor 5a to Conveyor 5	30502503	88	880	123,200	0.01	0.047	0.04	0.41	0.03	DM
A19	Conveyor 5 to Deck Screen	30502503	88	880	123,200	(Included in A13)		---	---	---	DM
A20	Deck Screen to Conveyor 7	30502503	238	2,380	333,200	(Included in A13)		---	---	---	DM
A20a ⁵	Conveyor 7 to Radial Stacker 1	30502503	238	2,380	333,200	0.01	0.047	0.11	1.12	0.08	DM
A21	Radial Stacker 1 to Stockpile	30502505	238	2,380	333,200	0.04	0.047	0.45	4.47	0.31	P1
A22	Scalping Screen to Stacker 1	30502503	12	120	16,800	(Included in A05)		---	---	---	DM
A23	Stacker 1 to Reject Stockpile	30502505	12	120	16,800	0.04	0.047	0.02	0.23	0.02	P1
A24	Disturbed Surface / Stockpiles	30502507	2 acres			1.66 lbs/acre-day		0.14	3.32	0.61	S1
PM ₁₀ Subtotal								5.35	55.38	4.26	
D01	CAT Diesel Generator	20200102	54.5 gallons per hour 10 hours per day 1,400 hours per year				EF (lbs/gal)	PTE (lbs/hr)	PTE (lbs/day)	PTE (tons/yr)	CE2
			PM ₁₀				0.03350	1.83	18.26	1.28	
			NO _x				0.46900	25.56	255.61	17.89	
			CO				0.10200	5.56	55.59	3.89	
			SO _x				0.00710	0.39	3.87	0.27	
			VOC				0.03750	2.04	20.44	1.43	
			Total HAP				0.00959	0.52	5.23	0.37	
PM ₁₀ Total								7.18	73.64	5.54	

Based on 350,000 tons of production per year in dry material and 1,400 hours of operation per year of diesel fuel usage.

¹Type is a designation for emission unit billing purposes: DM=deminimus, P1=process equipment, S1=disturbed surface, CE2=stationary IC engine 351-800 hp. Fees are listed in AQR Section 18.

²A Control Factor of 0.047 is equivalent to 4.0 percent moisture in 0.25-inch minus materials.

³DAQEM or AP-42 default emission factors are used throughout.

⁴Aggregate loading through ground hopper.

⁵New emission unit as a result of Modification 1 to the ATC/OP.

TABLE III-A-2: Emission Unit List

EU	Description	SCC	Throughput			PM ₁₀ EF ³ (lbs/ton)	Moisture Control ²	PTE PM ₁₀			Type ¹
			tons/ hour	tons/ day	tons/ year			lbs/ hr	lbs/ day	tons/ year	
B01	Loader to Feed Hopper	30502505	100	1,000	200,000	0.04	0.047	0.19	1.90	0.19	P1
B02	Feed Hopper to Conveyor 7	30502503	100	1,000	200,000	(Emissions included in B01)					DM
B03	Conveyor 7 to Wet Screen	30502503	100	1,000	200,000	0.01	0.047	0.05	0.50	0.05	P1
B04	Wet Screen	30502511	100	1,000	200,000	(Wet Process – No Emissions)					DM
B05	Wet Screen to Stacker 2	30502503	5	50	10,000	(Wet Process – No Emissions)					DM
B06	Stacker 2 to Stockpile	30502505	5	50	10,000	(Wet Process – No Emissions)					DM
B07	Wet Screen to Stacker 3	30502503	55	550	110,000	(Wet Process – No Emissions)					DM
B08	Stacker 3 to Stockpile	30502505	55	550	110,000	(Wet Process – No Emissions)					DM
B09	Wet Screen to Sand Screw	30502503	40	400	80,000	(Wet Process – No Emissions)					DM
B10	Sand Screw to Stacker 4	30502503	40	400	80,000	(Wet Process – No Emissions)					DM
B11	Stacker 4 to Stockpile	30502505	40	400	80,000	(Wet Process – No Emissions)					DM
PM ₁₀ Subtotal								0.24	2.40	0.24	
D02	Olympian Diesel Electric Generator (167 hp, 124 kW) S/N: HX125P1	20200102	12.0 gallons per hour 10 hours per day 1,400 hours per year				EF (lbs/gal)	PTE (lbs/hr)	PTE (lbs/day)	PTE (tons/yr)	CE1
			PM ₁₀				0.03350	0.40	4.02	0.28	
			NO _x				0.46900	5.63	56.28	3.94	
			CO				0.10200	1.22	12.24	0.86	
			SO _x				0.00710	0.09	0.85	0.06	
			VOC				0.03750	0.45	4.50	0.32	
			Total HAP				0.00959	0.12	1.15	0.08	
PM ₁₀ Total								0.64	6.42	0.52	

Based on 200,000 tons of production per year in dry material and 1,400 hours of operation per year of diesel fuel usage.

¹Type is a designation for emission unit billing purposes: DM=deminimus, P1=process equipment, CE1stationary IC engine 35 – 350 hp. Fees are listed in AQR Section 18.

²A Control Factor of 0.047 is equivalent to 4.0 percent moisture in 0.25-inch minus materials.

³DAQEM or AP-42 default emission factors are used throughout.

TABLE III-A-3: Emission Unit List

EU	Description	SCC	Throughput			PM ₁₀ EF ³ (lbs/ton)	Moisture Control ²	PTE PM ₁₀			Type ¹
			tons/ hour	tons/ day	tons/ year			lbs/ hr	lbs/ day	tons/ year	
C01	Loader to Feed Hopper	30502505	237	2,370	100,000	0.04	0.034	0.32	3.20	0.07	P1
C02	Feed Hopper to Conveyor 1	30502503	237	2,370	100,000	(Enclosed Emission Point)		---	---	---	DM
C03	Conveyor 1 to 4 Bin Compartment	30502505	237	2,370	100,000	0.01	0.034	0.08	0.80	0.02	P1
C04	4 Bin Compartment to Weigh Hopper	30502503	237	2,370	100,000	(Enclosed Emission Point)		---	---	---	DM
C05	Weigh Hopper to Conveyor 2	30502503	237	2,370	100,000	(Enclosed Emission Point)		---	---	---	DM
C06	Conveyor 2 to Conveyor 3	30502503	237	2,370	100,000	0.01	0.034	0.08	0.80	0.02	DM
C07	Cement Silo Loading ⁴	30501107	33	330	13,924	0.00034	1.0	0.01	0.10	0.01	S2
C08	Fly Ash Loading ⁴	30501107	12	120	5,063	0.0049	1.0	0.06	0.60	0.01	S2
C09	Cement Silo to Weigh Batcher	30502503	33	330	13,924	0.0024	1.0	0.08	0.80	0.02	DM
C10	Fly Ash Silo to Screw Conveyor 1	30502503	12	120	5,063	(Enclosed Emission Point)		---	---	---	DM
C11	Screw Conveyor to Weigh Batcher	30501199	12	120	5,063	0.0024	1.0	0.03	0.30	0.02	DM
C12	Weigh Batcher	30501114	45	450	18,987	(Enclosed Emission Point)		---	---	---	DM
C13	Weigh Batcher to Screw Conveyor 2	30502503	45	450	18,987	(Enclosed Emission Point)		---	---	---	DM
C14	Screw Conveyor 2 to Loadout	30502503	45	450	18,987	(Enclosed Emission Point)		---	---	---	DM
C15	Conveyor 3 to Loadout	30502503	237	2,370	100,000	0.01	0.034	0.08	0.80	0.01	DM
C16	Loadout	30501110	45	450	18,987	0.15	1.0	6.75	67.50	1.42	P1
C17	Aggregate Haul Out, unpaved (1.0 miles RT)	30502504	2.2 VMT/hr		7.57 lbs/VMT		0.10	1.67	16.70	2.10	H1
C18	Concrete Haul Out, unpaved (1.0 miles RT)	30502504	15.0 VMT/hr		7.57 lbs/VMT		0.10	11.36	113.6	1.89	H1

EU	Description	SCC	Throughput			PM ₁₀ EF ³ (lbs/ton)	Moisture Control ²	PTE PM ₁₀			Type ¹
			tons/ hour	tons/ day	tons/ year			lbs/ hr	lbs/ day	tons/ year	
PM ₁₀ Subtotal								20.52	205.20	5.59	
D03	Olympian Diesel Electric Generator (167 hp, 124 kW) S/N: 4147	20200102	12.0 gallons per hour 10 hours per day 1,400 hours per year				EF (lbs/gal)	PTE (lbs/hr)	PTE (lbs/day)	PTE (tons/yr)	CE1
			PM ₁₀				0.03350	0.40	4.02	0.28	
			NO _x				0.46900	5.63	56.28	3.94	
			CO				0.10200	1.22	12.24	0.86	
			SO _x				0.00710	0.09	0.85	0.06	
			VOC				0.03750	0.45	4.50	0.32	
			Total HAP				0.00959	0.12	1.15	0.08	
PM ₁₀ Total								20.92	209.22	5.87	

Based on 100,000 tons of production per year in dry material and 1,400 hours of operation per year of diesel fuel usage.

¹Type is a designation for emission unit billing purposes: DM=deminimus, P1=process equipment, H1=haul road, S2=storage silo, CE1 stationary IC engine 31 – 350 hp. Fees are listed in AQR Section 18.

²A Control Factor of 0.034 is equivalent to 5.0 percent moisture in 0.25-inch minus materials.

³DAQEM or AP-42 default emission factors are used throughout.

⁴Emissions controlled by associated binvent.

B EMISSION LIMITATIONS

Neither the actual nor the allowable emissions shall exceed the calculated PTE limits per emission unit as delineated in Section II A nor the aggregate plant limits tabulated in Tables III-B-1 through III-B-2.

Table III-B-1. Total PTE for Source

Pollutant	PM ₁₀	NO _x	CO	SO _x	VOC	Total HAP
lbs/hour	28.74	36.82	8.00	0.57	2.94	0.76
lbs/day	289.28	368.17	80.07	5.57	29.44	7.53
tons/year	11.93	25.77	5.61	0.39	2.07	0.53

Table III-B-2. Source PTE of PM₁₀ by process

Operation	Lbs/Hour	Lbs/Day	Tons/Year
Mining	0.94	9.40	0.66
Processing	12.00	119.96	4.83
Disturbed Areas / Stockpiles 2 Acres	0.14	3.32	0.61
Haul (aggregate)	1.67	16.70	2.10
Haul (concrete)	11.36	113.6	1.89
Engine (CAT)	1.83	18.26	1.28
Engine (Olympian)	0.40	4.02	0.28
Engine (Olympian)	0.40	4.02	0.28
Total	28.74	289.28	11.93

IV CONDITIONS

A PRODUCTION LIMITATIONS

1. The production shall not exceed the throughput limits per emission unit as delineated in Table III -A-1, Table III-A-2, Table III-A-3, nor the source limits in this section.
2. Production of aggregate processing products at this facility shall be limited up to 250.0 tons per hour, up to 2,500 tons per day, and up to 350,000 per day.
3. Production of aggregate wash products at this facility shall be limited up to 100.0 tons per hour, 1,000 tons per day, and up to 200,000 tons per year.
4. Production of concrete products at this facility shall be limited up to 237.0 tons per hour, 2,370 tons per day, and up to 100,000 tons per year
5. Operation of the three diesel engines (EUs: D01 through D03) shall not exceed the limitations presented in Table IV-A-1.

TABLE IV-A-1: Maximum Allowable Diesel Engine Usage

EU	Gallons/Hour	Hours/Day	Hours/Year
D01 CAT 730 hp, 544 kW	54.5	10.0	1,400.0
D02 Olympian 167 hp, 124 kW	12.0	10.0	1,400.0
D03 Olympian 167 hp, 124 kW	12.0	10.0	1,400.0

B CONTROL REQUIREMENTS

1. The owner/operator shall take continual measures to control fugitive dust (e.g. wet, chemical or organic suppression, enclosures, etc.) at all mining and aggregate processing operations, material transfer points, stockpiles, truck loading stations and haul roads throughout the source. The Control Officer may at any time require additional water sprays or other controls at pertinent locations if an inspection indicates that opacity limits are being exceeded.
2. The owner/operator shall not cause or allow fugitive dust to become airborne without taking reasonable precautions.
3. The owner/operator shall not cause or allow the discharge of fugitive dust in excess of 100.0 yards from the point of origin or beyond the lot line of the property on which the emissions originate, whichever is less.
4. On-site personnel shall regularly observe operations and investigate any occurrence of visible fugitive dust. Corrective action shall be immediately taken to correct causes of fugitive dust in excess of allowable opacity limits.
5. Paved roads accessing or located on the site shall be swept and/or rinsed as necessary to remove all observable deposits and so as not to exhibit an opacity greater than 20.0 percent for a period or periods totaling more than 3 minutes in any 60 minute period or an instantaneous opacity greater than 50.0 percent. In addition, silt loading shall not exceed 0.33 ounces/square foot regardless of the average number of vehicles per day.
6. Unpaved roads accessing or located on the site shall be treated with chemical or organic dust suppressant and watered as necessary, or paved, or graveled, or have an alternate, Control Officer approved, control measure applied, so as not to exhibit an opacity greater than 20.0 percent for a period or periods totaling more than 3 minutes in any 60 minute period or an instantaneous opacity greater than 50.0 percent. In addition, silt content shall not exceed 6.0 percent or silt loading shall not exceed 0.33 ounces/square foot (depending on the control method chosen) regardless of the average number of vehicles per day.
7. Mud or dirt shall not be allowed to be tracked out onto a paved road where such mud or dirt extends 50.0 feet or more in cumulative length from the point of origin or allow any trackout to accumulate to a depth greater than 0.25 inches. Notwithstanding the preceding, all accumulations of mud or dirt on curbs, gutters, sidewalks or paved roads including trackout less than 50.0 feet in length and 0.25 inches in depth, shall be cleaned of all observable deposits and maintained to eliminate emissions of fugitive dust.
8. The owner/operator shall ensure that all loaded trucks, regardless of ownership, shall be properly covered to prevent visible emissions.
9. Fugitive dust emissions from screens, conveyors and loading operations shall not exhibit an opacity greater than 10.0 percent for a period or periods totaling more than 3 minutes in any 60 minute period.
10. Fugitive dust emissions from crushers shall not exhibit an opacity greater than 15.0 percent for a period or periods totaling more than 3 minutes in any 60 minute period.

11. Fugitive dust emissions from screens, crushers, conveyors, storage piles, transfer points, and nonmetallic mineral processing equipment not connected to baghouse controls or part of the wet process shall be controlled by operational water sprays as needed to prevent exceeding opacity standards.
12. The binvents on EUs C07 and C08 shall not exhibit visible emissions greater than 7.0 percent opacity for a period or periods aggregating more than 3 minutes in any 60 minute period, the concentration shall be taken from the applicable requirement as specified in any Federal or local standard such as 40 CFR 60 Subpart I or UUU, OOO, AQR Section 26, 34.
13. The binvents on EUs C07 and C08 shall be used to control particulate emissions at all times the processing equipment is operating.
14. The binvents on EUs C07 and C08 shall have a particulate control efficiency of at least 99.0 percent.
15. An effective seal shall be required around the binvents and the pressure drop across each binvent shall be maintained within the limits specified by the manufacturer.
16. Daily visual observations of the binvents shall be made to verify that visible emissions are not present. If they are, the owner/operator shall cease operations producing the emissions until the problem is corrected.
17. Monthly visual inspection shall be made of the binvent for air leaks. Defective components shall be repaired or replaced within 5 working days of the discovery of the malfunction. Should the malfunction cause the binvent to be ineffective in controlling particulate emissions, the processing of material shall cease until such repairs to the binvent are completed.
18. A preventative maintenance schedule that is consistent with the binvent manufacturer's specifications for routine and long-term maintenance, shall be developed and followed.
19. A water spray system shall be maintained in good operating condition, as verified by a daily inspection, and be used at all times during the processing of the material. This shall include but not be limited to crushing, screening, transfer points, drop points and stacker points excluding washed product processing. The owner/operator shall investigate and correct any problems before resuming operations. The Control Officer at any time may require additional watersprays at pertinent locations if an inspection by the Control Officer indicates that the three minute opacity limit is being exceeded
20. The control method for mining and aggregates processing operations including all transfer points shall consist of maintaining a minimum of 4.0 percent moisture content in materials less than 0.25 inches in diameter for the entire process that shall maintain a 95.3 percent control on PM₁₀ emissions.
21. The control method for the aggregate wash plant operations for emission units B01 through B03 (inclusive) shall consist of maintaining a minimum of 4.0 percent moisture content in materials less than 0.25 inches in diameter for the process that shall maintain a 95.3 percent control on PM₁₀ emissions.
22. The control method for the concrete batch plant for emission units C01, C03, C06, and C15 shall consist of maintaining a minimum of 5.0 percent moisture content in materials less than 0.25 inches in diameter for the entire process that shall maintain a 96.6 percent control on PM₁₀ emissions.

23. The control method for the aggregate wash plant operations for EUs: B04 through B11 (inclusive), including all transfer points, shall consist of maintaining a minimum of 10.0 percent moisture content I materials less than 0.25 inches in diameter for the process that shall maintain a 100.0 percent control on PM₁₀ emissions.
24. The owner/operator shall not discharge from any source whatsoever quantities of air contaminants or other material which cause a nuisance.
25. Only low sulfur diesel fuel (0.05 percent or less sulfur by weight) may be used to fuel any diesel engine. All engines shall be turbocharged and aftercooled.
26. Fugitive dust emissions from any disturbed open area or disturbed vacant lot that are owned or operated by the owner/operator shall be controlled by paving, applying gravel, applying a dust palliative or applying water to form a crust.
27. Particulate matter emissions from any unpaved parking lot owned or operated by the owner/operator shall be controlled by paving, applying a dust palliative or by an alternate method approved by the Control Officer regardless of the number of days of use.
28. Where a stationary source, or a portion thereof, is to be closed or idled for a period of 30 days or more, long-term stabilization of disturbed areas shall be implemented within 10 days following the cessation of active operations. Long-term stabilization includes, but is not limited to one or more of the following: applying water to form a crust, applying palliatives, applying gravel, paving, denying unauthorized access or other effective control measure to prevent fugitive dust from becoming airborne.
29. The owner/operator must comply with control requirements contained in this section. If there is inconsistency between standards or requirements, the most stringent standard or requirement shall apply.
30. Failure to comply with conditions contained in this section may result in revocation of this ATC/OP.

C MITIGATION

There are no federal offset requirements.

D ON-SITE, AMBIENT AIR MONITORING

On-site, ambient air monitoring is not required by this ATC/OP.

E COMPLIANCE DEMONSTRATION

1. This source is required to comply with the version of 40 CFR 60, Subpart OOO that is in AQR Section 14, as well as the current Federally-Approved version, whichever is more stringent.
2. Unless specified otherwise, compliance with the Subpart OOO and AQR Section 34 opacity standards specified in Section IV-B of this document shall be demonstrated in accordance with 40 CFR 60 Appendix A: Method 9 (Standards for Opacity) conducted and recorded annually. The averaging time shall be 3 minutes.

3. Compliance with the opacity standards for paved and unpaved roads contained within the ATC/OP shall be demonstrated in accordance with one of the following, as applicable:
 - a. 40 CFR 60 Reference Method 9 (Standards for Opacity) ; or
 - b. The test method set forth in AQR Subsection 94.12.4: Instantaneous Method.
4. Compliance with the minimum moisture content (2.5 percent at all processing points and storage piles) shall be demonstrated by conducting moisture testing and recording the results at least once a week on materials less than 0.25 inches in diameter in accordance with ASTM Standard C 566-97: Standard Test Method for Total Moisture Content of Aggregate by Drying.
 - a. any active day within 1 hour of startup and within 1 hour of shutdown, but no less frequently than once during each 8 hour period of operation;
 - b. within 10 feet from where crushed aggregate material is placed on the conveyor;
 - c. within 10 feet from where the screened material is placed on the conveyor; and each stacker point.
5. Compliance with the silt content limits contained within this document shall be demonstrated using the test method explained in AQR Subsection 91.4.1.2.
6. Compliance with the silt loading limits contained within this document shall be demonstrated using the test method explained in AQR Subsection 93.4.1.2.
7. Areas deemed disturbed shall be determined by using the Drop Ball Test explained in AQR Section 90.
8. Pursuant to AQR Section 25, any upset/breakdown or malfunction that cause emissions of regulated air pollutants to exceed any limits set by regulation or by this permit, shall be reported to the Control Officer within 1 hour of the onset of such event.
9. Records and data required by this permit and maintained by owner/operator maybe audited, at the owner/operator's expense, at any time by a third party selected by the Control Officer.

F PERFORMANCE TESTING

1. Compliance with opacity standards contained within the ATC/OP will be demonstrated in accordance with 40 CFR 60 Appendix A: Method 9 (Standards for Opacity) conducted and recorded annually. The averaging time shall be 3 minutes.
2. Initial performance tests shall be conducted within 60 days after achieving the maximum production rate at which the source will be operated but no later than 180 days after initial start-up.
3. Subsequent performance testing shall be conducted on or before the anniversary date of the initial performance test.
4. The owner/operator shall submit all required compliance and performance testing protocols for prior approval from DAQEM Compliance Reporting Supervisor and to the Enforcement Office of the US EPA, Region IX no earlier than 90 days prior to, and no later than 45 days prior to, the proposed dates of performance testing.
5. The Control Officer will consider approving the owner/operator's request for alternative performance test methods if proposed in writing in the performance test protocols.

6. A report describing the results of the performance test shall be submitted to DAQEM Compliance Reporting Supervisor and to the Enforcement Office of the US EPA, Region IX, within 60 days from the end of the performance test.
7. Pursuant to AQR Section 10 (as revised), the owner/operator of any stationary source or emission unit(s) that fails to demonstrate compliance with the emissions standard or limitations during any subsequent performance test, shall submit a compliance plan to DAQEM Compliance Reporting Supervisor within 90 days from the end of the performance test.
8. Pursuant to AQR Subsection 4.5 (as revised), additional performance testing may be required by the Control Officer.

G RECORD KEEPING

1. All records and logs required by this document shall be kept by the owner/operator and made available to DAQEM for inspection immediately upon request.
2. All records and logs, or a copy thereof, shall be kept on site for a minimum of 5 years from the date the measurement or data was entered.
3. All records and logs shall contain, at minimum, the following information:
 - a. hours of operation of all process equipment;
 - b. length of the on-site haul road(s);
 - c. log of dust control measures applied to the paved haul road, unpaved haul road, parking lot, vacant area;
 - d. hourly, daily and annual production of materials mined and processed;
 - e. results of moisture sampling;
 - f. log of control device inspections, maintenance and repair;
 - g. hours of operation of each engine/generator in a daily log with monthly summations;
 - h. sulfur content of diesel fuel; and
 - i. results of performance testing.

H REPORTS AND REPORTING

1. Each annual report shall be:
 - a. based on the preceding calendar year;
 - b. submitted on or before March 31 each year; and
 - c. addressed to the attention of the Compliance Reporting Supervisor, DAQEM.
2. Each report shall contain:
 - a. as the first page of text, a signed certification containing the sentence "I certify that, based on information and belief formed after reasonable inquiry, the statements contained in this document are true, accurate and complete." This statement shall be signed and dated by a responsible official of the company. (a sample form is available from DAQEM);
 - b. an annual summary of all items listed in Section IV-G-3 (a-h);
 - c. the calculated actual annual emissions from each emission unit, even if there was no activity, and the total calculated actual annual emissions for the source.

I INCREMENT CONSUMPTION

Table IV-I-1 shows the location of the maximum impact and the potential PSD increment consumed by the source at that location. The impacts are below the PSD increment limits.

Table IV-I-1: PSD Increment Consumption

Pollutant	Averaging Period	PSD Increment Consumption by the Source ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	Location of Maximum Impact	
			UTM X (m)	UTM Y (m)
SO ₂	3-hour	2.18 ¹	760331	4074454
SO ₂	24-hour	0.78 ¹	760509	4074459
SO ₂	Annual	0.28	760586	4074865
PM ₁₀	24-hour	28.99 ²	760944	4074876
NO _x	Annual	2.90	760586	4074865

¹Modeled High 2nd High Concentration

²Modeled High 6th High Concentration

J OTHER REQUIREMENTS

1. Fees on all equipment and emissions are subject to AQR Section 18. The fee schedule is adjusted every January on the basis of the CPI.

SIGNATURES

This ATC/OP Issued by:



Signature: Richard D. Beckstead
Permitting Manager
Clark County
Department of Air Quality and Environmental Management

August 13, 2007

Date



Signature: Theodore A. Lendis
Permitting Supervisor
Clark County
Department of Air Quality and Environmental Management

August 13, 2007

Date

The requirements of this ATC/OP with its conditions are accepted and agreed to by the company as evidenced by the hereinafter signature of an authorized company representative.

Signature: Travis Eaton
Responsible official for:
Precision Aggregate Products, LLC

Date



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Travis Eaton
Precision Aggregate Products, LLC
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RE: Permit Facility #15694, Modification #:1, Revision #0, Authority to Construct/Operating Permit (ATC/OP)

Dear Mr. Eaton:

Attached is the Permit for the above-referenced business. **Please read, sign, and return the entire Permit, by September 14, 2007, after making a copy for your files.** In the event the due date falls on a weekend or holiday, the permit must be received on the last business day preceding the weekend or holiday.

We will be enforcing Regulation 12.8.3 as stated below:

12.8.3 The AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT CERTIFICATE shall become enforceable and effective if the applicant signs and returns such ATC to the CONTROL OFFICER within thirty (30) days from the issuance date.

- (a) If the AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT CERTIFICATE is not signed by the applicant and returned to the CONTROL OFFICER within the thirty (30) day period, then such ATC shall be deemed invalid.
- (b) Revalidation of such ATC shall require reapplication for a new AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT CERTIFICATE which may be subject to additional fees.

If you have any questions please contact William Johnson at (702) 455-5942.

Best Regards,

Ashlie S. Miller
Permitting Division

Attachments

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Modeling Archive
Toquop Energy Project Class II Dispersion Modeling

November 2007

The following document summarizes the content of the AERMET, AERMAP, AERMOD and BPIP modeling archive. The contents of these folders are described below.

AERMAP – contains AERMAP files used to process terrain data (30-m DEM) to produce the receptor elevations and critical hill heights for use within the AERMOD model. AERMAP files were created for the multi-tier Cartesian receptor grid; additional receptors placed on terrain features, and receptors placed on the four hydrographic basins. Example files below are for the multi-tier Cartesian receptor grid.

Toquop.inp	: AERMAP input file used for the multi-tier Cartesian receptor grid
Toquop.out	: AERMAP output file for the multi-tier receptor grid
Toquop.rou	: AERMAP file containing receptor elevations and critical hill heights for the Cartesian Grid
Run_AERMAP.bat	: AERMAP Batch file used to process AERMAP
AERMAP.exe	: AERMAP executable (Version 04300)

AERMAP version 04300 was used instead of the latest posted version (06341) due to a runtime error in the later version of AERMAP when receptors fall between two DEM file domains, which is the case for this application. EPA has not yet fixed this bug. The AERMAP input and output files for the terrain receptor grid and the hydrographic basin receptor grid are in the **Hills** and **Basins** folders, respectively.

The terrain data files used in AERMAP are in the folder called **DEMs**. The raw DEM files were converted to DMO files with CRLF.exe.

AERMET – contains files used to process on-site surface meteorological data along with upper air data from Mercury, NV needed for AERMOD using AERMOD's meteorological pre-processor, AERMET.

Onsite_06-07.dat	: AERMET input onsite meteorological data (edited version, after erroneous data was disqualified)
DRA_06-07_original.fsl	: AERMET input Desert Rock Mercury, NV unfilled upper air sounding file in FSL format. The file was obtained from http://raob.fsl.noaa.gov/

DRA_06-07.fsl : AERMET input Desert Rock Mercury, NV filled upper air sounding file in FSL format. The file was obtained from <http://raob.fsl.noaa.gov/>. Filling procedure described below.

724754.txt : AERMET input St. George surface data in TD-3505 format.

*.inp : AERMET input files for Stage 1, 2 and 3

*.err : AERMET message file for stage 1, 2 and 3

*.rep : AERMET report file for Stage 1, 2 and 3

*.ext : AERMET upper air sounding extraction file

*.qa : AERMET upper air sounding and onsite data quality assessment files

*.mrg : AERMET Stage 2 merged file

Met_06-07.pfl : AERMET profile output file (input to AERMOD)

Met_06-07.sfc : AERMET surface output file (input to AERMOD)

Met_06-07-AN.pfl : AERMET profile file truncated to 8760 hours

Met_06-07-AN.sfc : AERMET surface file truncated to 8760 hours

RunMet.bat : AERMET Batch files used to process AERMET

AERMET.exe : AERMET executable (Version 06341)

Onsite data QA procedures :

ENSR performed quality assurance of the onsite meteorological data located in the **onsite met data\1.onsite data** folder. Wind vector plots were produced using an ENSR-created program called “writemet.exe” which is also located in the **onsite met data\1.onsite data** folder. Writemet uses raw onsite data files and creates vector files for each day. These files are located in the **onsite met data\2.vector files** folder. The vector files were loaded to CALVIEW (free TRC software http://www.src.com/calpuff/download/mod6_gui.htm). The CALVIEW input files are located in the **onsite met data\3.CALVIEW input files** folder, and the files created from CALVIEW are located in the **onsite met data\4.image files and animations** folder. Data values that showed a large deviation from those of neighboring values in height and time were subject to disqualification. The unedited raw data file is called “onsite_06_07_original.dat” and the edited data file is called “onsite_06_07.dat”. See “Readme – Onsite Data QA Procedures.doc” document for more details on creating and displaying the wind fields.

Solar radiation QA procedures :

We noticed that many of the nighttime solar radiation values in the onsite meteorological data are in the single digits rather than 0.0 Wm^{-2} as they should be during nighttime. Because this seemed to be occurring over a large portion of the meteorological data period, we decided to conduct a sensitivity test to determine the impacts of the nighttime insolation values on the AERMET-produced surface file. These tests are located in the **Insolation Test Cases** folder.

Case 1, located in the **Case 1 – Original Onsite Data** folder, consisted of running AERMET with the original onsite data where the nighttime insolation values were not changed. The values were less than 10.0 Wm^{-2} , but greater than 0.0 Wm^{-2} .

Case 2, located in the **Case 2 – High Nighttime Insolation Values** folder, consisted of increasing the nighttime insolation values to 100.0 Wm^{-2} .

Case 3, located in the **Case 3 – Nighttime Insolation Values Set To Zero** folder, consisted of setting the nighttime insolation values to 0.0 Wm^{-2} .

By comparing the resulting surface files, we found that the nighttime insolation values are not used by AERMET and do not cause any changes in the AERMET surface file.

Upper air data QA procedures :

AERMET was run using upper air data from Desert Rock Mercury, NV. After reviewing the Stage3_06_07_original.err file, we found that the upper air data ("DRA_06-07_unfilled.fsl") had 124 days of missing soundings. These missing soundings had to be filled with soundings from another station.

A statistical comparison was performed on the Elko, NV and Flagstaff, AZ mixing height data from the AERMET-produced surface files to determine which site is a better match with Desert Rock mixing heights. AERMET was then run using Elko, NV and Flagstaff, AZ upper air data. The files for these runs are located in the folders called **Mixing Height Comparison\Elko** and **Mixing Height Comparison\Flagstaff**.

Then we copied the mixing height from the surface files, produced with Elko and Flagstaff, to a spreadsheet. The spreadsheet is located in the **Mixing Height Comparison** folder.

Time series plots and scatter plots of the 3-hour averaged afternoon mixing heights were created for Desert Rock, Elko, and Flagstaff. The plots indicated that Flagstaff matches Desert Rock better. Therefore, the Desert Rock missing data was filled in by Flagstaff soundings. In the event that Flagstaff was also missing, Elko was used (for 9 sounding periods). The final runs of AERMET with the filled-in upper air data are located in the **AERMET** folder and are described above.

Other procedures :

The precipitation data for Overton, NV are located in the **precip data** folder in .pdf format.

The spreadsheet in the **Land Use** folder called "AERMET Landuse 2006-2007.xls" contains land-use data within 3 km of the meteorological site.

Wind rose plots encompassing the entire modeling period, seasonal breakdowns, and daylight hours versus nighttime hours breakdowns are in the folder called **wind roses**.

AERMOD – contains input (*.inp), output (*.out), and source parameter (*.src) AERMOD files used with the Cartesian grid receptors as well as the Hydrographic Basin receptors.

Fugitive Sensitivity Directory: Sensitivity model runs performed for the fugitive sources to determine the worst case time period to be used in the subsequent modeling. For simplicity, all model runs were submitted with a 1 g/s emission rate. Example files below are from the locomotive.

BAS.inp : AERMOD input file used in the sensitivity modeling
BAS.out : AERMOD output file for the sensitivity modeling
BAS.src : AERMOD include file containing the source parameters and building downwash data (if applicable)

Significance Modeling Directory: Modeling files used in the determination of significance for TEP. Example files below are from the short term CO case. Similar files are included for SO₂, PM₁₀ and NO_x.

CO.inp : AERMOD input file used in Cartesian grid receptor modeling
CO.out : AERMOD output file for Cartesian grid receptor modeling
CO.src : AERMOD include file containing the source parameters and building downwash data

Basin Modeling Directory: Modeling was performed to determine the maximum impacts within individual hydrographic basins. Example files below are for the Lower Meadow Valley Basin. Similar files are included for the Tule Valley and Lower Moapa Valley basins.

Meadow_3hr_SO2.inp : AERMOD input file used in the basin modeling
Meadow_3hr_SO2.out : AERMOD output file for the basin modeling
3hr_SO2.src : AERMOD include file containing the source parameters and building downwash data

Cumulative Modeling Directory: Modeling was performed for pollutants in which TEP was determined to be significant. Inventory sources within the SIA were included in the modeling. Example files below are for annual NO_x. Similar files are included for 3 SO₂, 24

hour SO₂ and PM₁₀ and annual PM₁₀. Modeling was performed using the Cartesian grid receptors and Basin grid receptors.

Ann_NOx.inp	: AERMOD input file used in the basin modeling
Ann_NOx.out	: AERMOD output file for the basin modeling
Ann_NOx.src	: AERMOD include file containing the source parameters and building downwash data
Run.bat	: AERMOD batch file to run all years of data.
AERMOD.exe	: The latest AERMOD executable (Version 07026)

Toquop Class II Inventory.xls: List of sources included in the cumulative modeling analysis

Warning Message Sensitivity Runs: Two warning messages appeared in the PM₁₀ cumulative runs in reference to the road area sources from the inventory:

- W391 591 APARM :Aspect ratio (L/W) of area source greater than 10
- W320 593 APARM :Input Parameter May Be Out-of-Range for Parameter ANGLE

Two sensitivity runs were performed using one of the road segments:

1. Comparing the source as one long, thin road area source (as given in the inventory) with the same area source broken into four smaller area sources with aspect ratios less than 10.
2. Comparing the source using original orientation angle of 210° (from the inventory) to one with an orientation angle of -150°.

The breaking of the long, thin area source into four smaller area sources yielded results that differed less than 1.0%. Changing the orientation angle showed no difference in the results. Therefore no changes were made to the PM₁₀ road area sources in the cumulative modeling. Example files below are from the aspect ratio sensitivity modeling.

Area_Test_AR.inp	: AERMOD input file used in the aspect ratio sensitivity modeling
Area_Test_AR.out	: AERMOD out put file from aspect ratio sensitivity modeling
Area_Test_ AR.src	: AERMOD include file containing the area source parameters

BPIP – contains BPIP input and output files.

Toquopf.bpi	: BPIP input file
Toquopf.pro	: BPIP output file
Toquopf.sup	: BPIP summary file
BPIP.PRM.exe	: BPIP executable file, with PRIME

APPENDIX 8-B
CALPUFF MODELING INPUT / RESULTS

APPENDIX 8B

CLASS I MODELING REPORT

8B.1 Introduction

8B.1.1 Introduction and Project Description

The applicant, Toquop Energy, LLC (Toquop Energy), plans to build and operate one new nominal 750-megawatt super critical pulverized coal (PC) fired boiler and steam electric generation unit located in Lincoln County, Nevada. The proposed project, referred to as the Toquop Energy Project (TEP), is being sited in a green-field location approximately 14 miles northwest of Mesquite, Nevada.

The new unit will result in emission increases of all criteria pollutants above the Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) threshold limits. Therefore, all criteria pollutants are subject to PSD review and thus a subsequent Class I modeling analysis was performed to assess the impacts of sulfur dioxide (SO₂), sulfates (SO₄), oxides of nitrogen (NO_x), and particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter of 10 microns or less (PM₁₀) emissions from the proposed project on nearby PSD Class I areas.

The TEP includes the full range of support operations, including delivery of lime for use in scrubber; truck delivery of diesel fuel; and truck delivery of other materials, such as aqueous ammonia for the selective catalytic reduction control system, coal and ash handling, and transport of combustion byproducts and wastes. Best available control technology will be installed on all applicable sources, including the main stack.

This document (revised according to comments received from the National Park Service in January 2007) describes the procedures that have been used to evaluate the potential air quality impacts due to the proposed project's operations for PSD Class I areas. There are no Class I areas located within 50 kilometers (km) of the proposed facility, so the modeling procedures only address long-range transport techniques. A separate report addresses the modeling of impacts within 50 km of the proposed project site.

8B.1.2 Modeling at Class I Areas

PSD regulations require that facilities within 100 km of a PSD Class I area perform a modeling evaluation of the ambient air quality in terms of Class I PSD Increments and Air Quality Related Values. In addition, large projects beyond 100 km (but less than 300 km) from the nearest Class I area have generally been requested to conduct an evaluation of air quality impacts by the Federal Land Managers (FLMs).

Figure 8B-1 shows the location of the TEP relative to the nearest PSD Class I areas. The following Class I areas have been assessed for this analysis:

- Bryce Canyon National Park;
- Capitol Reef Wilderness;
- Grand Canyon National Park;
- Sycamore Canyon Wilderness; and
- Zion National Park.

There are no other Class I areas within 300 km of the facility, and the National Park Service has approved this list of Class I areas to be analyzed for the TEP. Project impacts for SO₂, sulfuric acid (H₂SO₄), nitrogen dioxide (NO₂), and PM₁₀, pollutants subject to PSD review, have been assessed for the Class I areas (and portions thereof) within 300 km of the facility.

Since the Class I areas are located more than 50 km from the proposed facility, the CALPUFF model, along with CALMET, the meteorological pre-processor, has been applied in a refined mode (Scire et al. 2000a,b). To the extent possible (except for updates that have occurred since the issuance of the December 2000 FLM's Air Quality Related Values Workgroup [FLAG] guidance), the modeling procedures have followed those procedures prescribed in the FLMs' FLAG guidance documents, as noted below.

The guidance in Interagency Workgroup on Air Quality Modeling (IWAQM) Phase II suggests that CALPUFF could be first used in a screening mode and then a refined mode if needed. ENSR has used CALPUFF in a refined mode for 3 recent years involving mesoscale meteorological (MM5) input data (2003, 2004, and 2005).

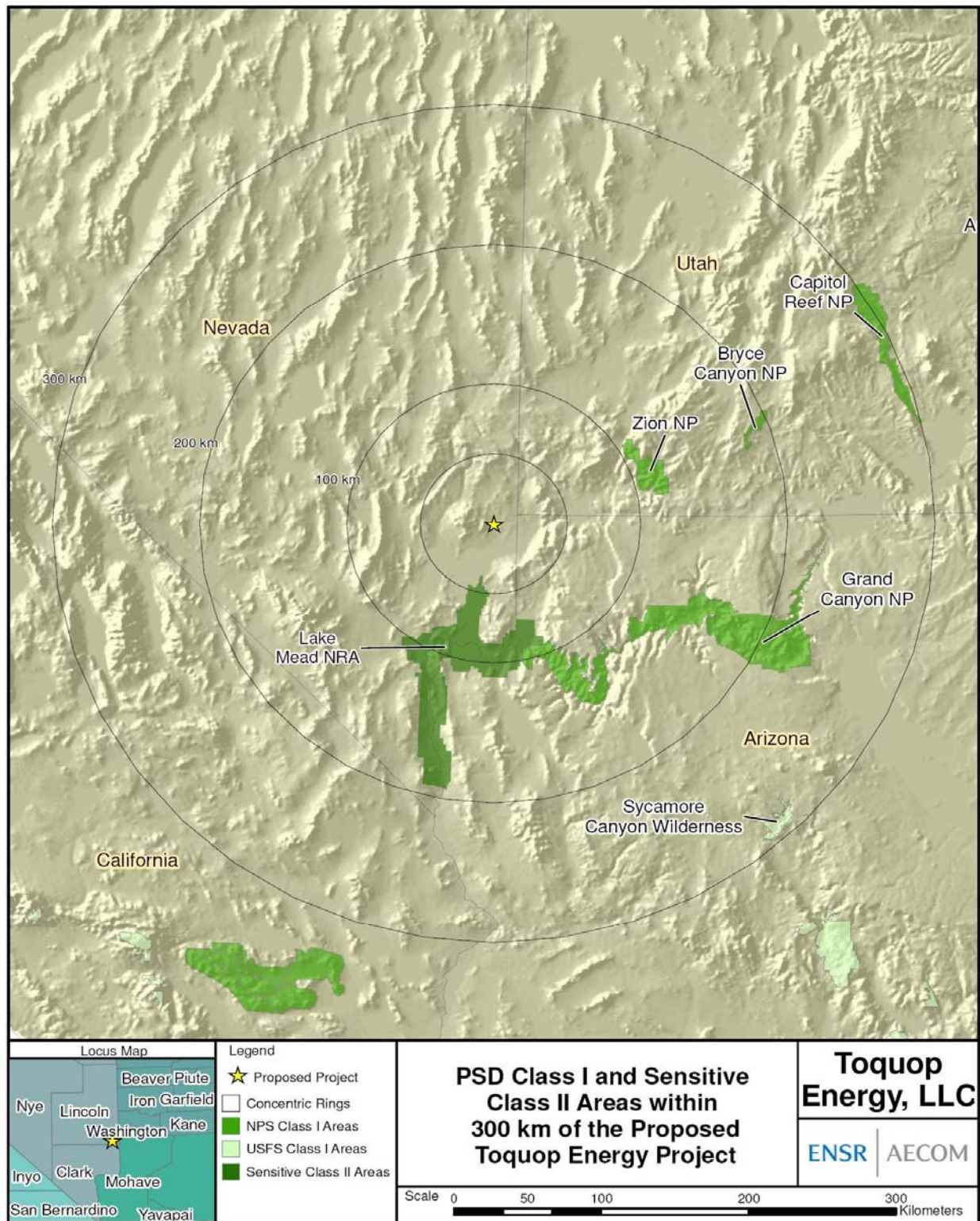
8B.1.3 Modeling for Sensitive Class II Areas

CALPUFF modeling also was conducted to determine the impacts of TEP on nearby sensitive Class II area(s). At the request of the FLMs, modeling was conducted at Lake Mead National Recreation Area (NRA) (see **Figure 8B-1**) to determine TEP's impacts on PSD increment, regional haze, and acidic deposition. The modeling was conducted for this area in a similar manner to the Class I modeling discussed in this report.

8B.1.4 Report Organization

The modeling procedures conducted for this analysis are based on requirements outlined in the IWAQM Phase II report (IWAQM 1998) and the FLMs' FLAG Phase I Report (December 2000, found at <http://www2.nature.nps.gov/ard/flagfree/index.htm>). These guidance documents provide

Figure 8B-1. Location of Nearby Class I Areas in Relation to Toquop



suggested modeling approaches by U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and the FLMs. In addition, recent suggestions by the FLMs for acceptable alternative analyses to supplement the results obtained using the FLAG guidance has been considered for regional haze impacts.

This appendix has been prepared in order to summarize the procedures and results of the Class I area impact assessment. Section 8B.2 of this appendix document discusses the emission sources used for the modeling. Section 8B.3 outlines an approach for a refined CALPUFF analysis of the proposed project and Section 8B.4 summarizes the modeling results. Section 8B.5 shows results of the VISCREEN analysis for Lake Mead NRA. A list of meteorological stations used in the preparation of the CALMET output is provided in Section 8B.6. References are listed in Section 8B.7.

8B.2 Emission and Source Parameters

8B.2.1 Proposed Project Emission Sources

Class I area modeling has been conducted to evaluate PSD increment consumption of SO₂, NO₂, and PM₁₀, as well as regional haze and sulfur and nitrogen deposition at Bryce Canyon, Capitol Reef, Grand Canyon, Sycamore Canyon, and Zion. The proposed project's main unit will operate on low-sulfur Powder River Basin sub-bituminous coal. The proposed boiler will be a supercritical PC fired unit, designed for base load operation. The PC unit will have an estimated maximum gross heat input of approximately 6,048 million British thermal units/hour (MMBtu/hour). It is anticipated that the boiler will be dry-bottom, tangentially fired or wall fired with low-NO_x burners and overfire air ports. Flue gas from the unit will pass through a series of post-combustion controls before being emitted to the atmosphere through a single Good Engineering Practice (GEP) stack with a height of 730 feet (subject to change depending upon final design building dimensions). **Table 8B-1** provides a summary of the main boiler's emission rates and stack parameters.

All other ancillary equipment, such as the cooling tower and auxiliary boilers, have not been included in the Class I impact analysis because the impacts from these sources are present only during startup conditions in some cases, and will otherwise likely be confined in any case to within a few km of the proposed facility location. This also is true of locomotive emissions (applicable only when the locomotive is on-site during coal unloading), for which a sensitivity run provided with the modeling archive will show that this source's impact is well below 1 percent of the main stack's impact, and not correlated in time and space with the main stack impacts due to the much lower plume height.

The primary PM₁₀ emissions were speciated according to procedures in recently submitted PSD permit applications for purposes of regional haze impact predictions. The National Park Service

(NPS) has requested that the PM₁₀ be broken down into separate components based on the particles' light scattering properties. Those components are: 1) soils, 2) elemental carbon, and 3) organic aerosols. These components are modeled separately because their light scattering/absorption effectiveness differs. For example, elemental carbon is 10 times greater in terms of visibility degradation potential than that of the "soils" (e.g., ash or "soils") portion of PM₁₀ emissions.

Table 8B-1
Preliminary Maximum Hourly Emission Rates of Criteria Pollutants for the PC Boiler

Pollutant	Main Unit Maximum Hourly Emission Rates ⁽¹⁾			
	(lb/hour)		(lb/MMBtu)	
NO _x	362.9		0.06	
PM ₁₀ (Filterable)	60.5		0.01	
PM ₁₀ (Filterable and condensable) ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	181.4		0.03	
SO ₂ 3-hour ⁽⁴⁾	483.8		N/A	
SO ₂ ⁽⁵⁾	362.9		0.06	
H ₂ SO ₄ Mist	30.2		0.005	
Stack Parameters	English Units		Metric Units	
Heat Input	6,048	MMBtu/hr	--	--
Stack Height	730	ft	222.5	m
Stack Diameter	24.4	ft	7.44	m
Stack Exit Velocity	65	f/s	19.81	m/s
Stack Gas Temperature	130	F	327.59	K
Stack Location				
	746,849.22 East 4,091,219.39 North	UTM Zone 11 NAD-1983 (meters)	-150.357 East 27.068 North	LCC (km)
Base Elevation	2,551	ft	777.51	M

¹ Based on a heat input of 6048 MMBtu/hr @ 100% load.

² Includes H₂SO₄ mist.

³ PM₁₀ speciated according to the following percentages (based on NPS data):

Soils = 96.3% of fine filterable PM₁₀

Elemental Carbon = 3.7% of fine filterable PM₁₀

Organics = non-sulfate condensable PM₁₀

⁴ 3-hour average SO₂ emission rate has been estimated at 483.8 lbs/hr. The modeling results for 24-hour emission rates have been adjusted accordingly for reporting results for 3-hour averages.

⁵ Annual SO₂ limit is equivalent to 1351 TPY.

The "modeled" soils component of the primary PM₁₀ emissions consists of soils plus inorganic aerosols because they are assumed to have similar light scattering properties. Soils are assumed to be 96 percent of the fine filterable PM₁₀. The organic aerosols "modeled" component of the primary PM₁₀ emissions is assumed to be the non-sulfate condensable portion of PM₁₀. The elemental carbon "modeled" component of the primary PM₁₀ emissions is assumed to be 3.7 percent of the fine filterable PM₁₀.

A particle size speciation using AP-42 emission factors also has been considered. In addition to speciating the primary PM₁₀ emissions, the CALPUFF regional haze modeling procedures typically consider primary SO₄ emissions (derived from H₂SO₄). Primary emissions of SO₄ are modeled because calculations of regional haze are sensitive to SO₄, which combine with free atmospheric ammonia to form light-scattering ammonia sulfate fine particles.

In addition to breaking the PM₁₀ down into different components based on light scattering properties, the primary PM₁₀ emissions also were broken down into different components based on a size distribution. The size distribution is used to more accurately reflect the rate at which the PM₁₀ gravitationally settles out of the atmosphere and how differently sized particles affect light scattering/absorption. The size distributions are based on the AP-42, Tables 1.1-5 and 1.1-6. This size distribution is shown in **Table 8B-2**. The filterable PM₁₀ emissions are distributed by the applicable size distributions in AP-42, Table 1.1-6. Table 1.1-5 of AP-42 indicates that condensable PM can be assumed to be < 1.0 micron in diameter. Therefore, the condensable emissions are assigned to the smallest size category.

Table 8B-2
Size Distribution of Particulate Matter Used in CALPUFF Modeling

Aerodynamic Diameter (µm)	Filterable PM₁₀ Only (%)	Condensable PM₁₀ Only (%)
6 – 10	16.3	-
2.5 – 6	26.1	-
1.25 – 2.5	23.9	-
1.0 – 1.25	6.5	-
0.625 – 1.0	12.0	-
0.5 – 0.625	15.2	100.0
Total	100.0	100.0

¹ Data obtained from USEPA's AP-42, Table 1.1-6 (baghouse).

CALPUFF was run using the SO₂ and NO₂ emissions in **Table 8B-1** and the PM₁₀ emissions in **Table 8B-3**, which total to the same PM₁₀ emissions shown in **Table 8B-1**. For the regional haze analysis, the POSTUTIL postprocessor was used to scale each “size” component of the primary PM₁₀ based on the calculated emission rates in **Table 8B-4** for each light scattering component.

Table 8B-3
Particle Size Distribution Emission Rate Summary used for the CALPUFF Run to
Determine the Maximum PM₁₀ Concentrations

Geometric Mass Mean Diameter (µm)	PM ₁₀ Emissions (g/s)
	100 % Load
6 – 10	1.2424
2.5 – 6	1.9879
1.25 – 2.5	1.8222
1.0 – 1.25	0.4970
0.625 – 1.0	0.9111
0.5 – 0.625	16.4004

Table 8B-4
Particle Size Distribution Emissions for the Regional Haze Analysis

Geometric Mass Mean Diameter (µm)	Soils (g/s)	Organic (g/s)	Elemental Carbon (g/s)
6 – 10	1.2424	0.0000	0.0000
2.5 – 6	1.9879	0.0000	0.0000
1.25 – 2.5	1.7548	0.0000	0.0674
1.0 – 1.25	0.4786	0.0000	0.0184
0.625 – 1.0	0.8774	0.0000	0.0337
0.5 – 0.625	1.1167	11.4307	0.0429

8B.3 CALPUFF Modeling Approach

CALPUFF was promulgated by the USEPA (2003a) as a preferred dispersion model to assess long-range transport applications (transport distances exceeding 50 km, but no more than 300 km unless the nearest Class I areas is beyond 300 km). For the proposed project, the distance to each of the PSD Class I areas is greater than 50 km, and there are five Class I areas within 300 km. Within this distance range, a non-steady-state modeling approach that considers spatial and time variations in meteorological conditions, such as CALPUFF, is appropriate.

8B.3.1 Modeling Procedures

8B.3.1.1 Selection of Dispersion Model

In accordance with guidance provided by USEPA Region 9, ENSR has run CALPUFF Version 5.711a, the current “official USEPA version”, (level 040716) in a refined mode to determine the effect that the proposed project’s emissions had on SO₂, NO₂, and PM₁₀ increment,

regional haze, and sulfur and nitrogen deposition at the nearby Class I areas. CALMET Version 5.53a (level 040716) is the companion official USEPA version of the meteorological pre-processor for the CALPUFF modeling system that produces three-dimensional wind fields that incorporate a variety of meteorological data observations and terrain effects. Advanced meteorological data in the form of prognostic mesoscale meteorological data (such as the Fifth Generation Mesoscale Model [MM5]) has been used to provide a superior estimate of the initial wind fields. This application has considered 3 years, 2003 through 2005, of prognostic MM5 meteorological data at a 12-km resolution. The 2003 through 2005 12-km MM5 databases were provided by Mr. Dennis McNally of Alpine Geophysics.

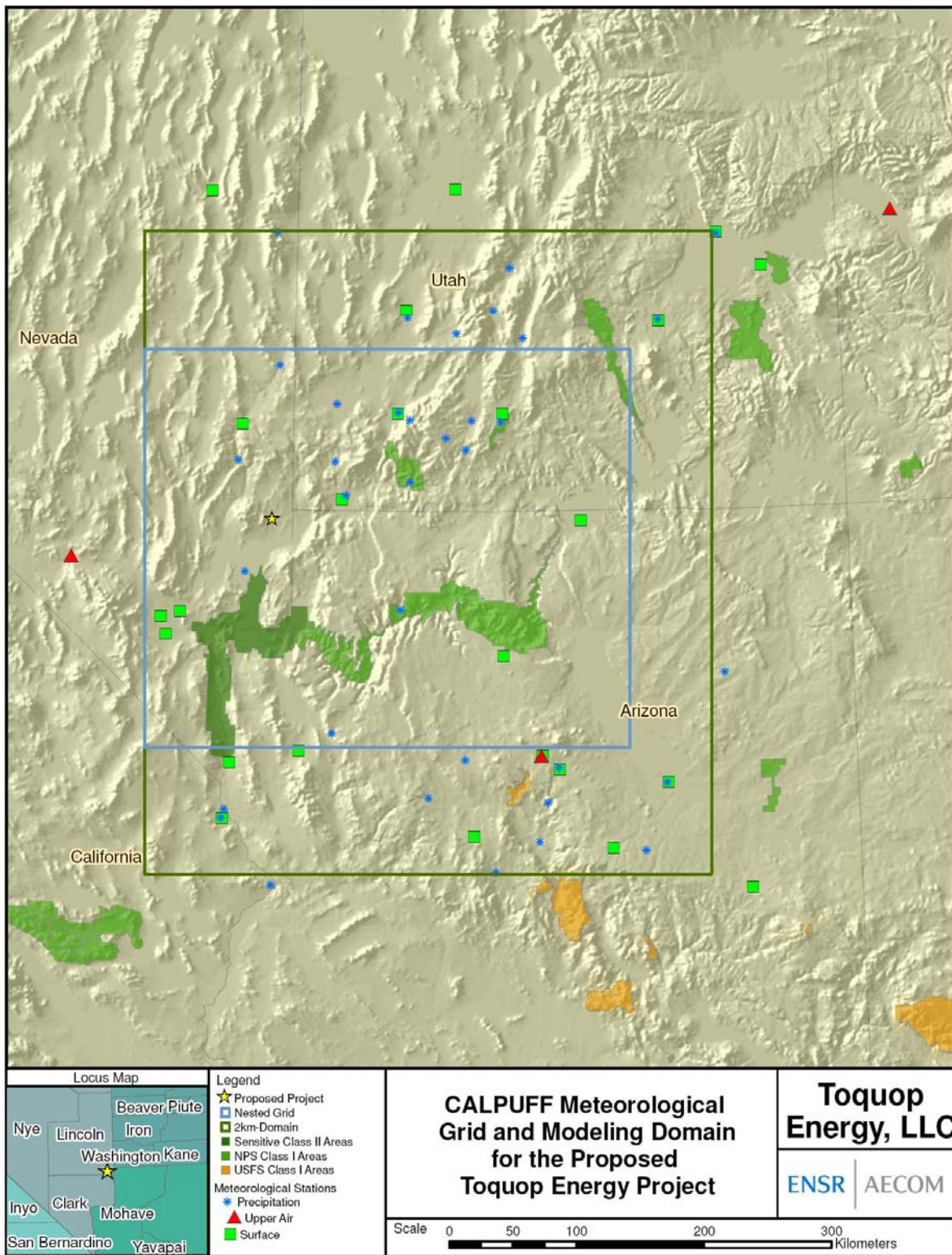
8B.3.1.2 Computational Grid

ENSR has used two separate CALMET and CALPUFF grid systems for this analysis. The first grid system (2-km resolution) extends 100 km west of the source and at least 50 km in all other directions beyond the TEP site along with any portions of Capitol Reef and Sycamore Canyon within 300 km of the proposed project site (see **Figure 8B-2**). The additional buffer distance allows for the consideration of puff trajectory recirculations. This design allows for a 444 km (east-west) x 504 km (north-south) domain extent and at a 2-km resolution there are 222 x 252 horizontal grid cells.

The CALPUFF model developer has noted in instructional courses that puff impacts in complex terrain can be refined with a finer grid spacing. Therefore, an additional nested meteorological and computational grid was used to refine the depiction of terrain features made in CALMET for the closest Class I areas (see **Figure 8B-2**). Specifically, a 500-m nested grid was used to process impacts at Bryce Canyon, Grand Canyon, and Zion. Capitol Reef and Sycamore Canyon impacts were processed on the main 2-km grid due to their greater distance from the project site. As in the case of the 2-km grid, the nested 500-m grid was designed to accommodate TEP, the Class I areas being considered for that grid, and a 50-km (100 km west of source) buffer about the site and Class I area(s). The 500-m grid has a 382 km (east-west) x 312 km (north-south) domain extent and at a 500-m resolution there are 764 x 624 horizontal grid cells.

The vertical resolution of both grids was consistent among the CALMET applications and consisted of the following vertical layers (12): 0; 20; 40; 80; 120; 180; 260; 400; 600; 800; 1,200; 2,000; and 4,000 meters. The maximum mixing height was established as 3,500 meters based upon afternoon summertime mixing heights provided by Holzworth (1972). Due to the large transport distances involved in this analysis (Class I areas beyond 200 km from the project site), the puff splitting option, as recommended by EPA, was used for the Class I modeling.

Figure 8B-2. CALPUFF Modeling Domain used for Toquop



As noted in FLAG (2000), if a project-related change in extinction is less than 5 percent of the background extinction, then the project's regional haze impact is determined to be insignificant and no further modeling is required to demonstrate no adverse impact. If the project-related change in extinction exceeds 5 percent, then further analysis may be warranted, depending upon the magnitude and frequency of the impacts. If further analysis was required, we would consider presenting an alternative analysis for additional information to be considered by the permitting authority and the FLMs, as noted below. The reviewers would then analyze the information being submitted and consider whether a conclusion of no adverse impact is reasonable.

An alternative visibility analysis consistent with the BART approach also was considered because the FLAG approach with Method 2 does not handle cases of meteorological interference. This approach has been presented in various venues by the FLMs as an alternative to the FLAG screening approach that is designed to assess visibility impacts at Class I areas. This BART approach uses Method 6 along with monthly average f(RH) values and reports the 98th percentile day (8th highest for each year, and 22nd highest over 3 years) to determine whether the proposed project has an impact over a 5 percent change in extinction at the 98th percentile value. A "Tier 1" approach uses the best 20 percent background extinction for comparison, while a "Tier 2" approach uses the annual average background extinction. The FLMs have suggested that, in a future version of the FLAG guidance, if a source's impacts are below a 5 percent change in extinction at the 98th percentile value for each year modeled, they would likely not object to the PSD permit being issued.

For the sensitive Class II area(s) that are greater than 50 km from the TEP, an assessment of regional haze impacts using CALPUFF has been performed. Since there are portions of Lake Mead NRA both within 50 km and beyond 50 km a regional haze analysis and a visible plume blight analysis is appropriate. Section 8B3.2.6 discusses the visible plume blight analysis for Lake Mead. Regional haze impacts for Lake Mead NRA are provided for informational purposes. We note that sensitive Class II areas are not held to the same stringent standard for regional haze impacts as the Class I areas are. Results for the regional haze analyses are presented in Section 8B- 4.

8B.3.2.5 Acidic Deposition

CALPUFF and CALPOST have been applied to obtain upper limit estimates of annual wet and dry deposition of sulfur and nitrogen compounds (kg/ha/yr) associated with emissions from the main boiler stack at Bryce Canyon National Park, Capitol Reef Wilderness, Grand Canyon National Park, Sycamore Canyon Wilderness, and Zion National Park. Specifically, CALPUFF has been used to model both wet and dry deposition of SO₂, SO₄, nitrates, and nitric acid as well as dry

Due to the size of the modeling domains used for this analysis, a Lambert Conformal Conic (LCC) coordinate system was used. The LCC projection was used because it accounted for the curvature of the Earth's surface. The LCC projection for this analysis was based on the WGS-84 datum and standard parallels of 30°N and 60°N, with an origin of 36.7°N and 112.5°W.

8B.3.1.3 CALMET Processing

In accordance with the IWAQM Phase II guidance, CALMET, the CALPUFF meteorological pre-processor, has been used to simulate 3 years (2003, 2004, and 2005) of meteorological conditions. The non-default user-defined settings proposed for the CALMET processing are provided in **Table 8B-5**. Both grids have been processed using the same data, CALMET settings, and CALMET options. For the hourly wind field initialization, CALMET use gridded prognostic mesoscale meteorological (MM5) data for all years. For all years, MM5 data at a 12-km resolution is available within the modeling domain.

Table 8B-5
CALMET User-Defined Setting without Default Values

Variable	Description	Value
IEXTRP	Extrapolation of surface winds to upper layers	-4
RMAX1	Max surface over-land extrapolation radius (km)	12
RMAX2	Max aloft over-land extrapolation radius (km)	30
RMAX3	Maximum over-water extrapolation radius (km)	100
TERRAD	Radius of influence of terrain features (km)	10
R1	Relative weight at surface of Step 1 field and obs	6
R2	Relative weight aloft of Step 1 field and obs	20
IUPT	Station for lapse rates	Mercury (KDRA), NV
IPROG	Gridded initial prognostic wind field – MM4/MM5 data	14

These prognostic meteorological data sets were initially combined with (depending on which grid size was being processed) the 2-km and 500-m grid resolution terrain and land use data to more accurately characterize the wind flow throughout the modeling domain. The gridded terrain data has been derived from U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) 1:250,000 (3 arc second or 90-meter grid spacing) Digital Elevation Model files and the TERREL pre-processor program. The gridded land use data has been derived from USGS 1:250,000 Composite Theme Grid land use files.

The Step 2 wind field has been produced using the input of all available National Weather Service (NWS) hourly surface and twice-daily upper air balloon sounding data within and just outside the modeling domain. Hourly surface data from both first-order and second-order stations have been considered in this analysis. Other sources of meteorological data such as CASTNET data have

been used to supplement areas lacking NWS or second-order data. Hourly precipitation data from stations within and just outside of the modeling domain have been taken from a National Climatic Data Center data set for purposes of wet scavenging of the plume and wet deposition calculations. A list of these stations is provided in Section 6. **Figure 8B-2** shows a plot of the surface, upper air, and precipitation stations used as input to CALMET as a part of the Step 2 wind field.

8B.3.1.4 Receptors

Receptors from the National Park Service (NPS) database of Class I receptors have been used for this modeling analysis (found at: <http://www2.nature.nps.gov/air/maps/Receptors/index.htm>) for Bryce Canyon, Capitol Reef, Grand Canyon, Sycamore Canyon, and Zion. To accommodate the processing of the Grand Canyon with two separate grid resolutions, the NPS receptors were split into to separate groups according to the design of the domains. All modeled receptors were at least greater than 50-km from the edge of their respective modeling domains.

Receptors for Lake Mead were developed with a 500-m resolution for areas within 50 km of TEP. Beyond 50 km, the receptor spacing was 2 km spacing out to about 70 km from TEP, and 5-km receptor spacing was used for the rest of the area. The increased spacing with increasing distance was used in order to keep the total number of receptors for the area to a value of about 500. Receptor elevations were calculated using 90-m spaced Digital Elevation Model files and the TERREL program.

8B.3.1.5 Good Engineering Practice Stack Height Analysis

A GEP stack height analysis has been performed based on the proposed project design to determine the potential for building-induced aerodynamic downwash for the proposed main boiler stacks. The analysis procedures described in USEPA's Guidelines for Determination of Good Engineering Practice Stack Height (USEPA 1985), Stack Height Regulations (40 Code of Federal Regulations 51), and current model clearinghouse guidance have been used.

However, since the stack is at or near the GEP formula height, building downwash effects can be considered negligible and therefore were not included in the modeling analysis.

8B.3.2 Assessing Air Quality Impacts at Class I and Sensitive Class II Areas

8B.3.2.1 Background Air Quality Data

The CALPUFF refined modeling has been conducted with hourly background ozone data from rural monitors within and just outside the modeling domain. In the absence of hourly ozone data for the monitoring stations used in the analysis during a particular hour, the model default of 80 ppb has been used. In addition, monthly-averaged ammonia background values agreed upon by the NPS as part of the Desert Rock Class I modeling analyses have been used. The monthly ammonia background values are summarized below:

- December, January – March: 0.2 ppb
- April – May: 0.5 ppb
- June – September: 1.0 ppb
- October – November: 0.5 ppb.

8B.3.2.2 Class I PSD Increment Values

CALPUFF and CALPOST have been used with CALMET meteorological data to assess maximum concentrations of SO₂, NO₂, and PM₁₀ due to emissions from the main boiler stacks at Bryce Canyon, Capitol Reef, Grand Canyon, Sycamore Canyon, and Zion. It was conservatively assumed that 100 percent of the NO_x emissions were converted to NO₂. The modeled concentrations at all receptors within the Class I areas have been documented and compared to their proposed significant impact level (SILs) shown in **Table 8B-6**; these SILs have been accepted by the FLMs in their review of the modeling protocol. Results of the PSD increment analysis are presented in Section 8B-4. If a modeled impact is below the applicable listed concentration in **Table 8B-6**, then the project will be assumed to have an insignificant impact, and no further modeling will be required for increment consumption analyses for that pollutant and averaging time. Results of the PSD increment analysis for the Class I areas are presented in Section 8B-4.

Table 8B-6
Class I Area SILs

Pollutant	3-hour* (µg/m ³)	24-hour* (µg/m ³)	Annual** (µg/m ³)
SO ₂	1.00	0.20	0.10
PM ₁₀	NA	0.32	0.16
NO ₂	NA	NA	0.10

* Highest of the second-highest modeled concentrations at any receptors.

**Highest arithmetic mean concentration at any receptor.

NA = not applicable.

8B.3.2.3 Class II PSD Increments (Sensitive Class II Areas)

CALPUFF and CALPOST have been used to assess maximum concentrations of SO₂, NO₂, and PM₁₀ due to emissions from the main boiler stacks at Lake Mead NRA. The modeled concentrations at all receptors within these sensitive Class II areas have been documented and compared to their significant impact level (SILs) shown in **Table 8B-7**. Results of the PSD increment analysis for Lake Mead NRA are presented in Section 8B-4.

Table 8B-7
Class II Area SILs

Pollutant	3-hour (µg/m³)	24-hour (µg/m³)	Annual (µg/m³)
SO ₂	25.0	5.0	1.0
PM ₁₀	NA	5.0	1.0
NO ₂	NA	NA	1.0

NA = not applicable.

8B.3.2.4 Regional Haze

CALPUFF and CALPOST processing have been used for the regional haze analysis to compute the maximum 24-hour average light extinction due to SO₂, SO₄, NO₂, and PM₁₀ emissions from the main boiler stack at Bryce Canyon National Park, Capitol Reef Wilderness, Grand Canyon National Park, Sycamore Canyon Wilderness, and Zion National Park.

The computation of incremental background light extinction due to the proposed project's emissions uses the option to calculate extinction from speciated particulate matter measurements by applying the USEPA-recommended hourly relative humidity adjustment factors to background and modeled sulfate and nitrate (MVISBK=2). The USEPA-recommended hourly relative humidity adjustment factors also were used and were published in September 2003 "Guidance for Tracking Progress Under the Regional Haze Rule" (USEPA 2003b). FLAG guidance recommends that the hygroscopic particle growth curve be capped when the relative humidity exceeds 98 percent, although the FLMS are now allowing a cap of 95 percent. This cap is consistent with monitoring guidance in support of the IMPROVE program that flags nephelometer measurements with relative humidities of at least 95 percent (and transmissometer measurements with relative humidities of at least 90 percent) that correspond to hours with meteorological interferences. Therefore, for this analysis, ENSR capped the particle growth curve at 95 percent relative humidity.

deposition of NO₂ to estimate the maximum annual wet and dry deposition of sulfur and nitrogen at the Class I areas.

The deposition results are documented for evaluation. However, it is noted that the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service (USFS) web site (<http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/eq/natarm/document.htm>) indicates that the minimum detectable level for measuring an increase in wet deposition of sulfates or nitrates is 0.5 kg/ha/yr. For conservatism, the USFS recommends a significance level of one-tenth of this minimum detectable level, or 0.05 kg/ha/yr. The FLM also has recently developed a Deposition Analysis Threshold (DAT) of 0.005 kg/ha/yr in the west (FLAG 2002) to be used as a threshold for further FLM analysis, rather than as an adverse impact threshold (Porter 2004).

It is important to note that the DAT value was established because the FLMs are concerned that, over time, cumulative deposition from emission sources may produce impacts upon Class I areas that are of concern. The FLMs need to have a reasonable assurance that cumulative deposition from all new sources does not exceed 50 percent of natural background. Natural background in western Class I areas is 0.25 kg/ha/yr. This value was multiplied by 0.5 to attain 50 percent of natural background and by 0.04, which is a safety factor to account for cumulative new source growth consisting of 25 identical facilities in the area of concern ($0.25 \times 0.5 \times 0.04 = 0.005$). Therefore, the use of a 0.005 kg/ha/yr threshold of concern for a new PSD source is very conservative due to the assumption of cumulative growth and due to not considering a substantial reduction in deposition from reductions in SO₂ emissions in the west that will be part of the Regional Haze Rule program. If the project emissions exceed the DAT for either sulfur or nitrogen, then the project may elect to gather a cumulative inventory of SO₂ or NO₂ emissions to provide a comparison of combined emissions to 50 percent of natural background. Deposition results are presented in Section 8B-4.

8B.3.2.6 VISCREEN Analysis

The PSD regulation requires an analysis of visibility impairment (i.e., plume blight) at Class I areas within 50 km of a proposed PSD project. There are no Class I areas within 50 km of TEP; however, the FLMs have requested that a plume visibility impairment analysis be performed for the portions of Lake Mead NRA that fall within 50 km of TEP.

The plume visibility analysis was conducted with the most current version of USEPA's screening model VISCREEN to determine if project emissions will impair visibility at the Lake Mead NRA. VISCREEN was applied with the guidance provided in USEPA's Workbook for Plume Visual Impact Screening and Analysis (1992) ("Workbook"). As such, the VISCREEN model was applied to estimate two visual impact parameters, plume perceptibility (ΔE) and plume contrast (C_p).

Screening-level guidance indicates that values above 2.0 for ΔE and ± 0.05 for C_p are considered perceptible. The Workbook offers two levels of analysis. Level 1 screening analysis which is the most simplified and conservative approach employing default meteorological data with no site-specific conditions. The Level 2 analysis takes into account representative meteorological data and site-specific conditions such as complex terrain. VISCREEN results are presented in Section 8B-5.

8B.4 Refined CALPUFF Model Results

8B.4.1 PSD Class I Increment Analysis

CALPUFF modeling was used to estimate the maximum ambient concentrations of SO_2 , NO_2 , and PM_{10} at Bryce Canyon National Park, Capitol Reef National Park, Grand Canyon National Park, Sycamore Canyon Wilderness, and Zion National Park to compare to USEPA-proposed Class I SILs (see **Table 8B-6**). The CALPOST program was used to obtain pollutant-specific impacts for the pertinent averaging periods.

The PSD increment modeling results for the proposed project emissions are provided in **Table 8B-8**. The modeling results indicate that the proposed project has insignificant impacts for all pollutants and averaging times for all years modeled. Therefore, no additional modeling for PSD increment consumption is required for any of the PSD Class I areas.

8B.4.2 PSD Class II Increment Analysis

CALPUFF modeling was used to estimate the maximum ambient concentrations of SO_2 , NO_2 , and PM_{10} at Lake Mead NRA to compare to USEPA Class II SILs (see **Table 8B-7**). The CALPOST program was used to obtain pollutant-specific impacts for the pertinent averaging periods.

The PSD increment modeling results for the proposed project emissions are provided in **Table 8B-9**. The modeling results indicate that the proposed project has insignificant impacts for all pollutants and averaging times for all years modeled. Therefore, no additional modeling for PSD increment consumption is required for Lake Mead NRA.

8B.4.3 Regional Haze Analysis

Regional haze modeling was conducted with CALPUFF using the FLAG guidance for Bryce Canyon National Park, Capitol Reef National Park, Grand Canyon National Park, Sycamore Canyon Wilderness, and Zion National Park. In addition, regional haze modeling results have been provided for Lake Mead NRA using the FLAG guidance. The regional haze modeling results

Table 8B-8
Class I Area PSD Increment CALPUFF Modeling Results (2003 through 2005)

Pollutant	Class I Area	Averaging Period	Maximum Modeled Concentrations (µg/m ³)			Class I SIL (µg/m ³)	PSD Class I Increment (µg/m ³)
			2003	2004	2005		
SO ₂	Capitol Reef NP ¹	3-hr ³	0.160	0.128	0.124	1.0	25
		24-hr	0.055	0.022	0.037	0.2	5
		Annual ⁴	0.002	0.001	0.001	0.1	2
SO ₂	Sycamore Canyon W ¹	3-hr ³	0.104	0.075	0.096	1.0	25
		24-hr	0.019	0.014	0.016	0.2	5
		Annual ⁴	0.001	0.0005	0.001	0.1	2
SO ₂	Bryce Canyon NP ²	3-hr ³	0.161	0.137	0.996	1.0	25
		24-hr	0.035	0.024	0.184	0.2	5
		Annual ⁴	0.002	0.002	0.002	0.1	2
SO ₂	Grand Canyon NP ²	3-hr ³	0.637	0.858	0.856	1.0	25
		24-hr	0.111	0.161	0.150	0.2	5
		Annual ⁴	0.004	0.005	0.004	0.1	2
SO ₂	Zion NP ²	3-hr ³	0.574	0.454	0.552	1.0	25
		24-hr	0.093	0.064	0.123	0.2	5
		Annual ⁴	0.005	0.004	0.004	0.1	2
PM ₁₀	Capitol Reef NP ¹	24-hr	0.047	0.012	0.031	0.3	8
		Annual	0.002	0.001	0.001	0.2	4
PM ₁₀	Sycamore Canyon W ¹	24-hr	0.013	0.012	0.014	0.3	8
		Annual	0.001	0.0004	0.001	0.2	4
PM ₁₀	Bryce Canyon NP ²	24-hr	0.025	0.015	0.017	0.3	8
		Annual	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.2	4
PM ₁₀	Grand Canyon NP ²	24-hr	0.069	0.124	0.079	0.3	8
		Annual	0.003	0.004	0.003	0.2	4
PM ₁₀	Zion NP ²	24-hr	0.086	0.041	0.075	0.3	8
		Annual	0.004	0.003	0.003	0.2	4
NO ₂	Capitol Reef NP ¹	Annual	0.0003	0.0002	0.0003	0.1	2.5
NO ₂	Sycamore Canyon W ¹	Annual	0.0001	0.00003	0.0001	0.1	2.5
NO ₂	Bryce Canyon NP ²	Annual	0.0004	0.0003	0.001	0.1	2.5
NO ₂	Grand Canyon NP ²	Annual	0.002	0.002	0.002	0.1	2.5
NO ₂	Zion NP ²	Annual	0.002	0.001	0.001	0.1	2.5

¹ Impacts assessed on the 2-km meteorological and computational grid.

² Impacts assessed on the 500-m meteorological and computational grid.

³ 3-hr SO₂ concentrations reflect a 483.8 lb/hr SO₂ limit.

⁴ Annual SO₂ concentrations reflect a 1351 TPY SO₂ limit.

Table 8B-9
Lake Mead NRA PSD Increment CALPUFF Modeling Results (2003 through 2005)

Pollutant	Class I Area	Averaging Period	Maximum Modeled Concentrations ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)			Class II SIL ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	PSD Class II Increment ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)
			2003	2004	2005		
SO ₂	Lake Mead NRA ¹	3-hr ²	2.681	2.569	3.092	25.0	512
		24-hr	0.699	0.891	0.844	5.0	91
		Annual ³	0.045	0.059	0.052	1.0	20
PM ₁₀	Lake Mead NRA ¹	24-hr	0.374	0.459	0.469	5.0	30
		Annual	0.033	0.042	0.037	1.0	17
NO ₂	Lake Mead NRA ¹	Annual	0.039	0.057	0.045	1.0	25

¹ Impacts assessed on the 2-km meteorological and computational grid.

² 3-hr SO₂ concentrations reflect a 483.8 lb/hr SO₂ limit.

³ Annual SO₂ concentrations reflect a 1351 TPY SO₂ limit.

are presented in **Table 8B-10** for the Class I areas and Lake Mead NRA for informational purposes. As shown in **Table 8B-10**, the regional haze modeling results using the FLAG guidance have no days above a 5 percent change in extinction at any Class I area during any year. Therefore, according to the FLAG guidance, the project does not have a significant regional haze impact and it is assumed that no further modeling is required. **Table 8B-10** does show impacts above 5 percent change in extinction for Lake Mead NRA, but since this area is not designated as a mandatory PSD Class I area, the same strict regional haze standards do not apply.

Table 8B-10
Regional Haze CALPUFF Modeling Results – FLAG (2003 to 2005)

Class I Area	2003			2004			2005		
	Days > than N% Δ B _{ext}		MAX% Δ B _{ext}	Days > than N% Δ B _{ext}		MAX% Δ B _{ext}	Days > than N% Δ B _{ext}		MAX% Δ B _{ext}
	5%	10%		5%	10%		5%	10%	
MVISBK=2, FLAG Background, 2-km grid									
Capitol Reef NP	0	0	3.04	0	0	1.42	0	0	2.17
Sycamore Canyon W	0	0	1.69	0	0	1.01	0	0	1.22
Lake Mead NRA ¹	27	0	9.83	46	10	14.70	28	5	16.37
MVISBK=2, FLAG Background, 500 m grid									
Bryce Canyon NP	0	0	4.03	0	0	0.91	0	0	1.85
Grand Canyon NP	0	0	2.75	0	0	4.33	0	0	3.32
Zion NP	0	0	4.70	0	0	1.95	0	0	4.61

¹ Sensitive Class II areas are not held to the 5 percent change in extinction significance threshold. Results are provided for informational purposes.

In addition to providing regional haze results for the FLAG procedure, results have been provided in **Table 8B-11** using the 2-tier BART approach as discussed in section 8B.3.2.4. These results

also indicate that there are no days above a 5 percent change in extinction for any of the Class I areas using the Method 6 approach, and so the 98th percentile day for each year has an impact that is well below a 5 percent change in extinction. This further emphasizes that the project does not have an adverse impact on regional haze. Results also have been provided for Lake Mead NRA using this approach for informational purposes.

Table 8B-11
Regional Haze CALPUFF Modeling Results – FLAG (2003-2005)

Class I Area	2003					2004					2005			
	Days > than		MAX%	8 th Highest %		Days > than		MAX%	8 th Highest		Days > than		MAX%	8 th Highest
	N% Δ B _{ext}					N% Δ B _{ext}					N% Δ B _{ext}			
	5%	10%	Δ B _{ext}	Δ B _{ext}		5%	10%	Δ B _{ext}	% Δ B _{ext}		5%	10%	Δ B _{ext}	% Δ B _{ext}
MVISBK=6, 20% Best Natural Background, 2-km grid														
Capitol Reef NP	0	0	3.84	1.01		0	0	1.20	0.63		0	0	3.09	0.84
Sycamore Canyon W	0	0	1.19	0.53		0	0	1.11	0.49		0	0	1.00	0.44
Lake Mead NRA ¹	64	10	14.85	10.68		74	22	18.88	13.55		67	13	19.77	11.34
MVISBK=6, 20% Best Natural Background, 500-m grid														
Bryce Canyon NP	0	0	2.85	0.74		0	0	0.88	0.55		0	0	1.71	0.52
Grand Canyon NP	0	0	3.00	1.82		0	0	3.99	2.49		0	0	2.93	1.96
Zion NP	1	0	5.06	1.97		0	0	2.04	1.50		1	0	5.24	1.37
MVISBK=6, Annual Average Natural Background, 2-km grid														
Capitol Reef NP	0	0	2.97	0.78		0	0	0.93	0.49		0	0	2.39	0.65
Sycamore Canyon W	0	0	0.92	0.41		0	0	0.86	0.38		0	0	0.77	0.34
Lake Mead NRA ¹	42	3	11.50	8.27		52	8	14.62	10.49		43	5	15.31	8.78
MVISBK=6, Annual Average Natural Background, 500-m grid														
Bryce Canyon NP	0	0	2.20	0.58		0	0	0.68	0.43		0	0	1.33	0.40
Grand Canyon NP	0	0	2.32	1.41		0	0	3.09	1.93		0	0	2.27	1.52
Zion NP	0	0	3.91	1.52		0	0	1.58	1.16		0	0	4.05	1.06

¹ Sensitive Class II areas are not held to the 5% change in extinction significance threshold. Results are provided for informational purposes.

8B.4.4 Acidic Deposition Analysis

CALPUFF modeling was used to provide upper limit estimates of annual (wet and dry) deposition of sulfur and nitrogen compounds (kg/ha/yr) associated with emissions of SO₂ and NO₂ from the proposed project at Bryce Canyon National Park, Capitol Reef National Park, Grand Canyon National Park, Sycamore Canyon Wilderness, and Zion National Park to compare to NPS Class I DATs. The CALPOST program was used to obtain the maximum annual deposition impacts. The results are summarized in **Table 8B-12**.

Table 8B-12
Deposition CALPUFF Modeling Results (2003-2005)

Pollutant	Class I Area	Averaging Period	Maximum Modeled Deposition Rate (kg/ha/yr)			NPS Class I Deposition Analysis Thresholds (kg/ha/yr)
			2003	2004	2005	
Sulfur ³	Capitol Reef NP ¹	Annual	0.0011	0.0012	0.0015	0.005
	Sycamore Canyon W ¹	Annual	0.0005	0.0006	0.0006	0.005
	Bryce Canyon NP ²	Annual	0.0015	0.0018	0.0016	0.005
	Grand Canyon NP ²	Annual	0.0012	0.0016	0.0018	0.005
	Zion NP ²	Annual	0.0044	0.0045	0.0045	0.005
	Lake Mead NRA ¹	Annual	0.0081	0.0116	0.0117	0.005
Nitrogen	Capitol Reef NP ¹	Annual	0.0007	0.0008	0.0010	0.005
	Sycamore Canyon W ¹	Annual	0.0003	0.0005	0.0004	0.005
	Bryce Canyon NP ²	Annual	0.0009	0.0011	0.0020	0.005
	Grand Canyon NP ²	Annual	0.0007	0.0011	0.0010	0.005
	Zion NP ²	Annual	0.0025	0.0025	0.0024	0.005
	Lake Mead NRA ¹	Annual	0.0057	0.0082	0.0077	0.005

¹ Impacts assessed on the 2-km meteorological and computational grid.

² Impacts assessed on the 500-m meteorological and computational grid.

³ Annual sulfur deposition rates reflect a 1351 TPY SO₂ limit.

The modeling results indicate that the proposed project has impacts below the DAT for sulfur and nitrogen deposition at all Class I areas and therefore no additional analyses should be required.

Acidic deposition results also have been provided for Lake Mead NRA for informational purposes.

8B.5 VISCREEN Results

There is no identified scenic vista within 50 km of the project site. However, as requested by the NPS, a local plume blight analysis was conducted for Lake Mead NRA using the visibility screening model, VISCREEN. The location of Lake Mead NRA in relation to TEP is shown in **Figure 8B-1**. The VISCREEN model is recommended by the USEPA as a screening tool to determine the visibility impacts for source-observer distances of up to 50 km.

The VISCREEN model was applied with Level-1 defaults and the expected emissions from the main stack. The source-observer distance was assumed to be 37 km. A background visual range of 252 km was used for the VISCREEN analysis. This visual range corresponds to the natural

background extinction for the nearby Grand Canyon National Park of 15.5 Mm^{-1} as listed in the *Federal Land Managers' Air Quality Related Values Workgroup (FLAG) Phase I Report* (December 2000). The following equation was used to calculate the visual range from the extinction at Grand Canyon (the closest Class I area to Lake Mead NRA):

$$V_r = 3.912 \times 1000 / \beta_{ext}$$

where: β_{ext} = extinction in unit of Mm^{-1}

The expected total emissions from the main stack for PM_{10} (121 lbs/hr) and NO_x (362.9 lbs/hr), were input to VISCREEN.

Two separate VISCREEN runs were conducted to account for the cardinal wind directions that intersect Lake Mead NRA. Those two sectors include wind directions from due north and north-northeast. For each sector, the wind speed and stability class was derived according to the "Workbook" procedures. For the due north direction, VISCREEN was run with a wind speed of 6 m/s and a stability class of 4. For the north-northeast direction, VISCREEN was run with a wind speed of 4 m/s and a stability class of 4. These meteorological conditions were developed using 5 years of surface data from Las Vegas McCarran International Airport (1987 through 1991).

Due North Sector:

The maximum VISCREEN results inside Lake Mead NRA for color difference index (ΔE) was 5.33 against sky and 9.42 against terrain. The maximum VISCREEN result inside the Class I area for contrast ($|C|$) was 0.106 against sky and 0.069 against terrain.

North-Northeast Sector:

The maximum VISCREEN results inside Lake Mead NRA for color difference index (ΔE) was 1.37 against sky and 2.86 against terrain. The maximum VISCREEN result inside the Class I area for contrast ($|C|$) was 0.027 against sky and 0.019 against terrain.

Since there are no thresholds for PSD Class II areas, these values are provided for informational purposes.

8B.6 List of Meteorological Stations Used in CALMET

Tables 8B-13 through 8B-15 list the meteorological stations that were used in the modeling.

Table 8B-13
Surface Stations used as Input to CALMET Meteorological Years 2003-2005

WMO	Station Name	State	Latitude	Longitude	Elevation (m)	LC_X* (km)	LC_Y* (km)	Time Zone
723700	Kingman (AMOS)	AZ	35.260	-113.950	1033.0	-129.440	-155.262	7
723710	Page Muni (AMOS)	AZ	36.930	-111.450	1304.0	91.356	25.533	7
723723	Prescott Love Field	AZ	34.650	-112.410	1536.0	8.109	-222.881	7
723740	Winslow Municipal A	AZ	35.030	-110.710	1490.0	160.346	-179.684	7
723755	Flagstaff Pulliam A	AZ	35.130	-111.660	2131.0	75.137	-170.193	7
723783	Grand Canyon Park	AZ	35.950	-112.150	2014.0	30.918	-81.336	7
723788	Bullhead City	AZ	35.160	-114.560	167.0	-184.164	-164.951	7
723805	Needles Airport	CA	34.760	-114.610	278.0	-189.781	-208.393	8
723860	Las Vegas McCarran	NV	36.080	-115.150	648.0	-233.582	-63.416	8
723865	Nellis AFB	NV	36.250	-115.030	573.0	-222.425	-45.309	8
724735	Hanksville	UT	38.360	-110.710	1313.0	152.272	181.375	7
724754	Saint George (AWOS)	UT	37.080	-113.600	896.0	-95.483	41.844	7
724755	Cedar City Municipal	UT	37.700	-113.100	1702.0	-51.580	108.507	7
724756	Bryce Canyon	UT	37.700	-112.150	2312.0	30.088	108.379	7
724776	Moab/Canyonlands	UT	38.750	-109.750	1388.0	232.465	225.790	7
724797	Milford Municipal A	UT	38.450	-113.030	1535.0	-45.025	189.546	7
724846	N Las Vegas	NV	36.210	-115.200	671.0	-237.511	-49.161	8
724860	Ely Yelland Field	NV	39.300	-114.850	1908.0	-196.920	284.042	8
CAN407	Canyonlands National Park	UT	38.458	-109.821	1814.0	227.511	194.100	7
GRB411	Great Basin National Park	NV	39.005	-114.216	2060.0	-144.468	250.903	8
PET427	Petrified Forest	AZ	34.875	-109.969	1723.0	227.204	-194.770	7
GRC474	Grand Canyon National Park	AZ	36.060	-112.182	2073.0	28.026	-69.432	7

* Coordinates are based on a Lambert Conformal Coordinate System
 Origin = 36.70N, 112.50W
 Standard Parallels = 30N, 60N
 False Easting and Northing = 0.0, 0.0
 World Geodetic System of 1984, (GCS_WGS_1984)

Table 8B-14
Precipitation Stations used as Input to CALMET Meteorological Years 2003-2005

COOP ID	Station Name	State	Latitude	Longitude	LC_X* (km)	LC_Y* (km)	Time Zone
020487	Ash Fork 3	AZ	35.199	-112.489	1.018	-163.087	7
021574	Chevelon RS	AZ	34.540	-110.915	143.018	-233.466	7
023010	Flagstaff AP	AZ	35.144	-111.666	74.550	-168.656	7
024586	Keams Canyon	AZ	35.811	-110.192	204.317	-93.550	7
025344	Mayer NO 2	AZ	34.394	-112.223	25.076	-250.808	7
025635	Montezuma Castle NM	AZ	34.611	-111.838	59.679	-226.940	7
027708	Sedona	AZ	34.896	-111.764	66.030	-195.819	7
028778	Truxton Canyon	AZ	35.388	-113.659	103.302	-141.751	7
028895	Tuweep	AZ	36.286	-113.064	-49.530	-44.730	7
029158	Walnut Creek	AZ	34.928	-112.810	-27.790	-192.527	7
029439	Winslow AP	AZ	35.028	-110.721	159.381	-179.917	7
046115	Needles	CA	34.830	-114.594	188.108	-200.806	8
046118	Needles AP	CA	34.768	-114.619	190.559	-207.555	8
046699	Parker Reservoir	CA	34.290	-114.171	151.356	-260.549	8
262557	Elgin	NV	37.348	-114.543	176.589	72.444	8
263340	Great Basin National Part	NV	39.009	-114.227	145.374	251.340	8
265846	Overton	NV	36.551	-114.458	171.356	-14.083	8
267750	Spring Valley State Park	NV	38.041	-114.180	143.641	146.654	8
420086	Alton	UT	37.440	-112.482	1.559	80.206	7
420168	Angle	UT	38.249	-111.961	45.951	167.791	7
420522	Beaver 4 E	UT	38.280	-112.568	-5.774	171.031	7
421008	Bryce Canyon NP HQRS	UT	37.641	-112.169	28.491	102.001	7
421260	Cedar City 5E	UT	37.656	-112.992	-42.320	103.725	7
421267	Cedar City AP	UT	37.709	-113.094	-51.095	109.435	7
422256	Duck Creek Village	UT	37.525	-112.663	-14.056	89.390	7
422561	Enterprise Beryl Junction	UT	37.770	-113.656	-99.227	116.573	7
423418	Green River Aviation	UT	38.991	-110.154	197.526	250.658	7
423611	Hanksville	UT	38.371	-110.715	151.798	182.506	7
423780	Hatch Sevier River	UT	37.651	-112.430	5.998	103.056	7
425477	Marysvale	UT	38.450	-112.229	23.008	189.436	7
425654	Milford	UT	38.394	-113.017	-43.979	183.537	7
427260	Richfield Radio KSVC	UT	38.762	-112.078	35.715	223.181	7
427516	St. George	UT	37.107	-113.561	-92.069	44.717	7
429136	Veyo Power House	UT	37.352	-113.667	100.840	71.407	7
429717	Zion National Park	UT	37.208	-112.984	-41.944	55.217	7

* Coordinates are based on a Lambert Conformal Coordinate System
Origin = 36.70N, 112.50W
Standard Parallels = 30N, 60N
False Easting and Northing = 0.0, 0.0
World Geodetic System of 1984, (GCS_WGS_1984)

Table 8B-15
Upper Air Stations used as Input to CALMET Meteorological Years 2003-2005

WBAN	Station Name	State	Latitude	Longitude	LC_X* (km)	LC_Y* (km)	Time Zone
03160	Desert Rock/Mercury	NV	36.620	-116.020	-307.648	-1.912	8
23066	Grand Junction	CO	39.120	-108.530	333.544	270.004	7
53103	Flagstaff/Bellemt (Army)	AZ	35.230	-111.820	60.733	-159.442	7

* Coordinates are based on a Lambert Conformal Coordinate System
 Origin = 36.70N, 112.50W
 Standard Parallels = 30N, 60N
 False Easting and Northing = 0.0, 0.0
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